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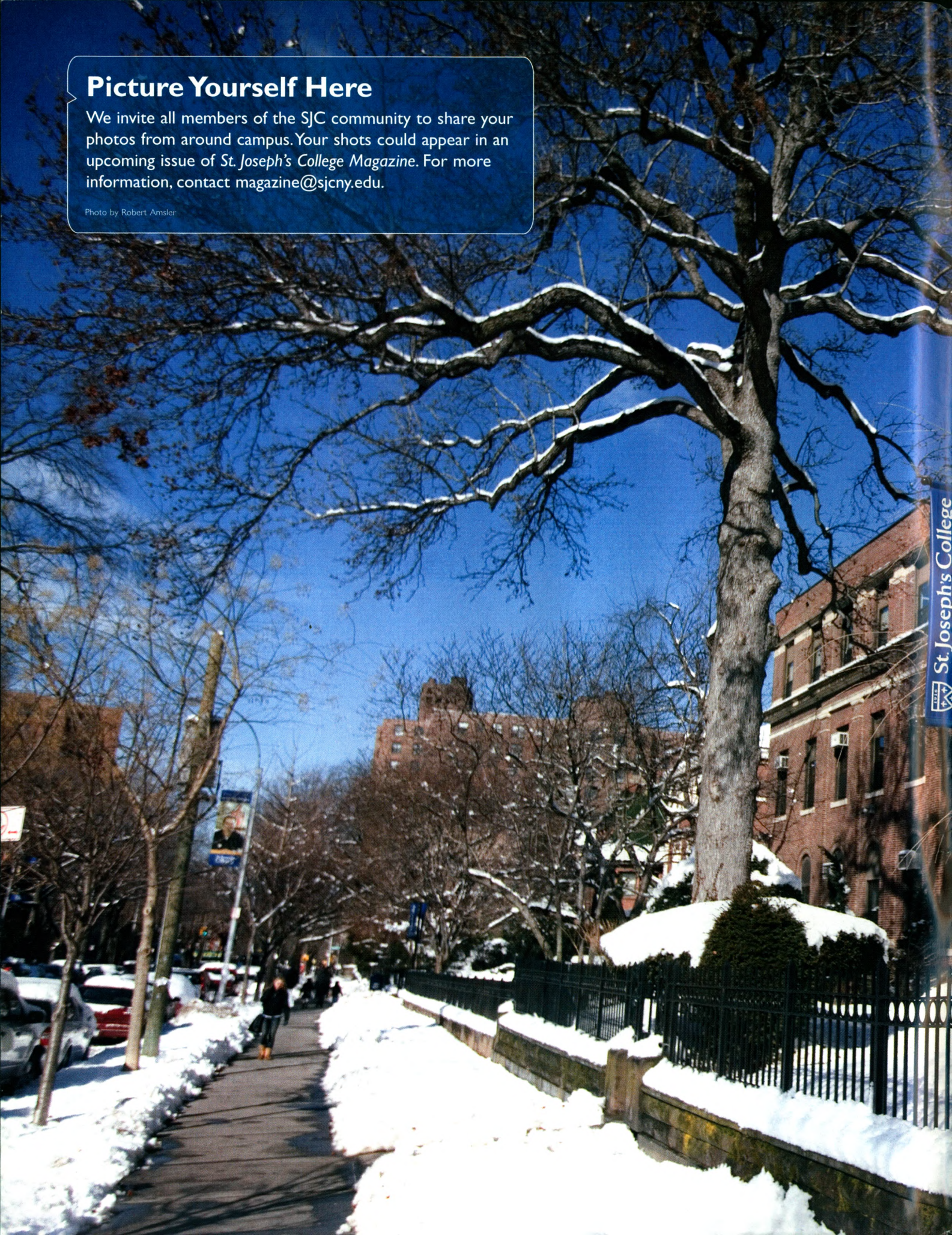
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A Message From ...

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Robert Amsler

The future
will emerge
through the
fruitful dialectic
between
continuity
and change.

Recent discussions around the role of higher education in the United States have focused on the utilitarian aspects of education and on job training. These discussions often dismiss as trivial John Henry Cardinal Newman's *The Idea of a University*, which maintains that education is an end in itself, whose result is the acquisition of a "habit of mind" — that is, a habit of thinking critically and creatively about life, its purpose and its challenges.

For us at St. Joseph's College, the effort is always to maintain a creative balance between the need our students have to earn a living after graduation and the reality that many of the jobs for which one can be "trained" will soon disappear, and that our students will be applying for jobs that do not yet exist. For this reason we lean toward Newman's idea, and are committed to seeing that each student graduates with 60-90 credits in the liberal arts and sciences.

The strength of St. Joseph's College, therefore, lies in its focus on and commitment to our mission: "... to provide a strong academic and value-oriented education ... rooted in a liberal arts tradition that supports provision for career preparation and enhancement." This issue of *St. Joseph's College Magazine* illustrates the efforts that go into, and the outcomes that flow out of, that commitment.

As in any educational institution, the mission is what we teach and the curriculum is the vehicle for that teaching. Our readers will see that, in its efforts to remain rooted in tradition and open to change, the faculty has created a new core curriculum which includes thematic areas that present

students with the broad knowledge of traditional liberal arts and sciences, and integrative areas that prepare students for the specific challenges of this particular time: living and working among diverse peoples; using technology, not only efficiently, but knowledgeably and ethically; learning through experience and service; and producing written work that illustrates clear thought and expression.

The College also claims, along with Newman, that a liberal education should provide for the physical health of the students. With this in mind, the College is developing new athletic facilities on both campuses to support its NCAA Division III teams and intramural programs.

Finally, faculty members have secured grants to support students, alumni have contributed generously to improve facilities and the College has appointed two new deans with deep commitments to the liberal arts and sciences.

St. Joseph's College, then, moves confidently toward its centennial, mindful of President S. Elizabeth A. Hill's dictum: "The future will emerge through the fruitful dialectic between continuity and change." ■

EDITOR'S NOTE: Beginning with this issue, each new edition of *St. Joseph's College Magazine* will feature an introductory message from a different member of our administration, faculty or staff. Thank you to S. Loretta McGrann for accepting our invitation to be our first guest writer.

St. Joseph's Earns National Recognition from *U.S. News* and *Forbes*

**AMERICA'S
BEST
COLLEGES
Forbes | 2011**

Two prestigious publications have once again recognized St. Joseph's College as one of America's best colleges.

For the last decade, *U.S. News & World Report* has consistently ranked St. Joseph's as one of the nation's top colleges, this year placing SJC in the top half of regional colleges in its annual Best Colleges list.

Forbes magazine ranked St. Joseph's in its online issue of America's Best Colleges for the fourth consecutive year. This year, it is included on the Best Private Colleges and Best Northeast Colleges lists.

"I am delighted that St. Joseph's has once again been recognized by both *Forbes* and *U.S. News* for the quality of its academic programs and the overall experience we provide our students," said SJC President S. Elizabeth A. Hill, C.S.J., J.D.

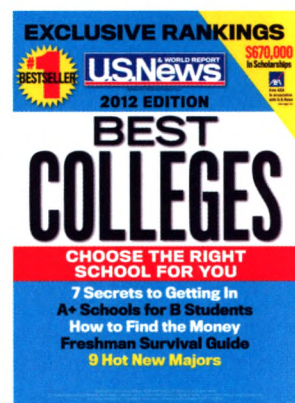
"We strive for excellence in everything we do, both in and out of the classroom, and these rankings indicate that we are serving our students well, by providing them with a top-notch education at a very affordable tuition."

With campuses in Brooklyn and Long Island, SJC was

ranked in the top half of regional universities in the North by *U.S. News & World Report*, which bases its annual rankings on graduation and retention rate, faculty resources, selectivity, faculty/student ratio and the assessment of each school from its peers.

SJC's strong freshman retention rate and continuing dedication to highly personalized instruction, which is reflected in the 15:1 faculty/student ratio and small class sizes, helped secure the institution's place in the top tier. This year's rankings of regional universities, which offer a full range of undergraduate and graduate degrees, but only a few doctoral programs, are split into four regions of the country.

The criteria for ranking in *Forbes* was based on the average student debt at graduation, percentage of students graduating in four years and the number of students or faculty who win national competitive awards. St. Joseph's College offers the lowest tuition of all top-tier private colleges on Long Island and is one of the most affordable private institutions in the tri-state area. ■



SJC Welcomes Woodrow Wilson Visiting Fellow Anil Singh-Molares



For the ninth consecutive year, St. Joseph's College will host a guest lecturer from the Woodrow Wilson Visiting Fellows program.

Anil Singh-Molares, a global entrepreneur, philanthropist and former Microsoft executive, will visit St. Joseph's during the week of February 27-March 2. He will deliver the public lecture, "Keys to Success in an International World," on Tuesday, February 28, in the Long Island Campus' McGann Conference Center, and on Wednesday, February 29, in Brooklyn's Tuohy Hall Auditorium. Both talks will take place during common hour (12:40-1:30 p.m.), and will be followed by a discussion with faculty and students. They are free and open to the public.

In addition to these public lectures, Mr. Singh-Molares will spend the week exchanging ideas and sharing his unique insights with students, faculty and administrators on a wide range of issues.

Born in Holland, raised in Europe and the United States, and fluent in Spanish, French and English, Mr. Singh-Molares is a true global citizen and businessperson. From 1991-2003, he advanced from managing a Microsoft foreign language team (40 translators and terminologists) to overseeing all internationalization vendor relations for the company (more than \$200 million in annual expenditures). Since leaving the software giant, he founded and serves as CEO of EchoMundi LLC, a rapidly growing international services firm that helps corporations do business abroad. He is co-founder and board member of the Preeclampsia Foundation, a citizen of Spain and a permanent resident of the U.S.

A service of the Council of Independent Colleges, the Woodrow Wilson Visiting Fellows program brings prominent artists, diplomats, journalists, business leaders and other nonacademic professionals to campuses across the country for substantive dialogue with students and faculty members. By their own example, fellows demonstrate that there are challenging opportunities for those who want to build a better world through professional activities and as informed citizens. More than 200 colleges have participated in the program since its inception in 1973. ■

COLLEGE WELCOMES THREE NEW TRUSTEES

The members of the St. Joseph's College Board of Trustees voted on October 26 to add Matthew J. Barbis '94; Peter M. Boger; and S. Helen M. Kearney, C.S.J., Ph.D., '67 to their ranks.



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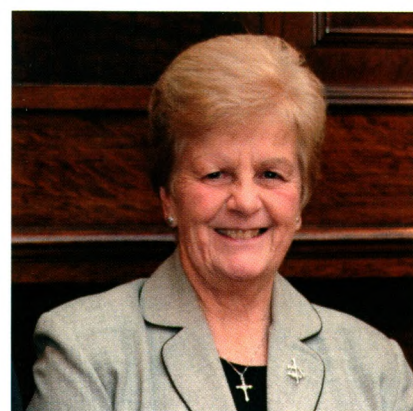
Matthew J. Barbis '94

Mr. Barbis, a graduate of the Long Island Campus, is president of Matthew Barbis and Co., a financial consulting and retirement investment firm affiliated with Royal Alliance Associates Inc. In 2005, he founded The Rose Brucia Educational Foundation in response to the kidnapping and murder of his 11-year-old cousin in Sarasota, Fla. The goal of the Foundation is to spread the message of stranger safety and reduce the number of child abductions in the U.S.



Peter M. Boger

Mr. Boger has more than 34 years of financial experience in the banking industry. He has been president and chief operating officer of Ridgewood Savings Bank since January 2010, and assumed the role of chairman, president and chief executive officer in January 2012. Mr. Boger serves on the board of Helen Keller Services for the Blind, The Real Estate Institute at Stony Brook University and the Greater New York Chapter of the Cystic Fibrosis Foundation.



S. Helen M. Kearney, C.S.J., Ph.D., '67

S. Helen Kearney is currently president of the Sisters of St. Joseph of Brentwood. Prior to her election in April 2011, she had served for many years as a faculty member in the SJC Department of Child Study, and had been director of the Brooklyn Campus' Dillon Child Study Center from 1980-2005. A graduate of the Brooklyn Campus, S. Helen is also a certified psychologist, and holds a Ph.D. from New York University.

A Rare Honor



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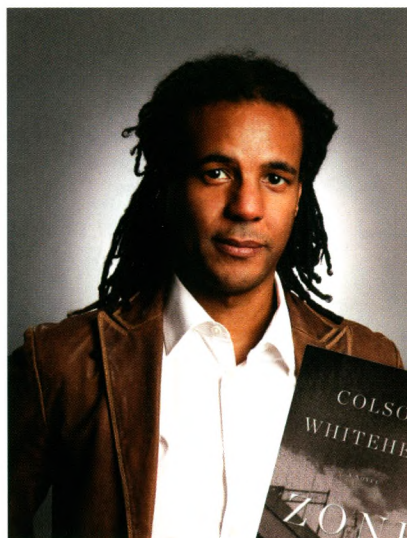
Congratulations to S. Jane Fritz, C.S.J., who has been elevated to the grade of senior member of the Institute of Electrical and Electronics Engineers (IEEE), the world's largest professional association dedicated to advancing technological innovation and excellence for the benefit of humanity. This elite rank is the highest

professional grade for which an IEEE member may apply. Only eight percent of the organization's 400,000 members have achieved this distinction.

S. Jane is a longtime member of the Department of Mathematics and Computer Science on the Long Island Campus. ■

The Art of Writing at St. Joseph's

by David Henne • dhenne@sjcny.edu



If first impressions are paramount, then the St. Joseph's College Brooklyn Voices series has certainly set a high standard. Launched in fall 2011, the series hosted its inaugural visiting author, Colson Whitehead, at Tuohy Hall on November 30.

A MacArthur "genius award" winner and Cullman Fellow, Mr. Whitehead has produced six critically acclaimed

novels and can be read regularly in some of the most prestigious publications in the country (*The New York Times*, *The New Yorker*, *Harper's Magazine*, *Granta*). His latest book, *Zone One*, was released in October 2011.

Mr. Whitehead presented his lecture, "How to Write and the Art of Writing," to an auditorium filled with SJC faculty and staff, students and community members.

Free and open to the public, Brooklyn Voices seeks to become an important resource for the St. Joseph's College community at large. At the heart of the series rests the notion that English and writing lectures are not limited to humanities students, but are open to anyone seeking inspired discussion with truly remarkable guests.

Guests who, as it just so happens, can be found right in SJC's backyard.

"There is an old real estate adage that says it is all about 'location, location and location,'" explains the series' pioneer and Brooklyn academic dean, Richard A. Greenwald, Ph.D., who insisted that the guest lecturers' resi-

dences be within walking distance of the College.

"St. Joseph's is located in one of the most creative and artistic communities in the world. We have a unique opportunity because of our location," Dr. Greenwald continued. "Our neighborhood includes major writers, thinkers and artists. By bringing these leaders and neighbors to campus, we can expose our students to some of today's most interesting minds.

"Other schools have to fly in these speakers, all we have to do is open our doors and be good neighbors."

Created in collaboration with Tillie's of Brooklyn, Greenlight Bookstore and The Brooklyn Rail, Brooklyn Voices promotes and enhances the creative vitality of SJC students and the local neighborhoods of Fort Greene and Clinton Hill.

The Brooklyn Voices series will continue this spring, and in subsequent years, with two high-profile authors visiting the College each school year. For up-to-date information on upcoming writers series events, visit www.sjcny.edu. ■

Generational Understanding

by David Henne • dhenne@sjcny.edu

Dalton Conley, Ph.D., author, professor and dean for the social sciences at New York University, presented his lecture, "From the Protestant Ethic to Elsewhere Ethic: How Technology is Transforming Work, Home and Leisure," at the Brooklyn Campus' Tuohy Hall Auditorium on September 26.

Author of four books, Dr. Conley is perhaps best known for his contributions to understanding socioeconomic status and the way in which it is transmitted across generations. In 2005, Dr. Conley became the first sociologist to win the National Science Foundation's Alan T. Waterman Award. He is also a 2011 Guggenheim Fellow.

In his latest novel, *Elsewhere, U.S.A.*, he discusses how economic, social and technological shifts over the past three decades have gradually altered the nature of work in America, and how these changes have impacted family life. ■





St. Joseph's welcomed two distinguished speakers in October. First, former U.S. Ambassador Joseph Wilson delivered the College's Eighth Annual Presidential Lecture, "The Politics of Truth," at the Brooklyn and Long Island campuses. Two weeks later, Pulitzer Prize-winning journalist Sheryl WuDunn presented a lecture based on her *New York Times* best-selling book, *Half the Sky: Turning Oppression Into Opportunity for Women Worldwide*. Here are a few tweets from those lectures. For more coverage on both events, visit www.sjcny.edu.

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Joseph Wilson

"The American people deserve to have a better understanding of the nuances of what it is like to go to war."

"The most serious decision our govt. can make in the name of the American people is to send our citizens to kill and fight."

"Let us be sure that we, as citizens, are heard, and as a citizenry, inform ourselves."

"Students, this is your country. You are the future and I am the past."

"The best thing about social media is that it cuts across the barriers of traditional communication and geography."



Sheryl WuDunn

"Right now, the major moral challenge of our time is gender inequity."

"Sex trafficking is one of the biggest challenges women and girls face in the world. It really is a form of slavery."

"There are few things in life that can elevate your level of happiness. One thing is contributing to a cause larger than yourself."

"Join a movement of people who want to help to bring about change. Networking and spreading the word is really important."

Therapeutic Recreation Takes Center Stage



Kathy Stanley

St. Joseph's College's Department of Recreation and Leisure Studies, the Long Island Leisure Services Association (LILSA) and the Metropolitan New York Recreation and Park Society Inc. (METRO), in cooperation with the Therapeutic Recreation Association of Long Island (TRALI) and the Therapeutic Recreation Association of Suffolk County (TRASC), hosted "Partnerships: Building a New Future; Collaborative and Cooperative Initiatives," a conference on effectively combining many aspects of therapeutic recreation and leisure services management in the current health care system, at the Long Island Campus on October 14.

"St. Joseph's College provides students with opportunities to network and learn from professionals within the fields of recreation and leisure studies," said professor and department chair Gail C. Lamberta, Ph.D.

"This conference not only offers students a more hands-on approach to learning the intricate aspects of planning, implementing and evaluating a professional conference, but it brings to the College a broad base of knowledge through professional presentations pertaining to the students' academic discipline."

Pictured (L-R) are Vincent Bonadies, C.T.R.S., director of therapeutic recreation for Beth Abraham Family of Health Services; Dr. Lamberta; Barbara Diesem-Zimmons, executive director of the New York State Recreation and Park Society; Edward Fronckwicz, C.P.R.P., assistant superintendent recreation for the Incorporated Village of Garden City; and Lisa Goldberg, recreation supervisor for the Great Neck Park District. ■

Rabbi Gary Bretton-Granatoor to Deliver 4th Annual Khatib Lecture

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“The root
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Robert Amsler

The city in which we choose to live should be a beacon of tolerance and understanding,” Rabbi Gary Bretton-Granatoor said during his September 9, 2010, sermon at Congregation Da’at Elohim — The Temple of Universal Judaism in Manhattan.

“And understanding begins with knowledge.”

On this occasion, the well-known lecturer, author and noted expert in interfaith relations was speaking specifically about the construction of an Islamic community center near Ground Zero. Though that topic remains controversial for many, Rabbi Bretton-Granatoor’s underlying message is one that resonates across political, cultural and religious lines:

“The root of most bigotry and discrimination is found in ignorance,” he said.

“Education is the only antidote to bigotry.”

This powerful idea is a notion shared by Dr. Reza Khatib and Georgianna Clifford Khatib ’52, whose generosity helped create the first-ever endowed chair at St. Joseph’s College.

The Dr. Reza and Georgianna Clifford Khatib Chair in Comparative Religion was established in 2009 to promote interfaith dialogue, with the study of Islam being an integral part of the initiative. Each spring, the chair hosts a noted scholar who will lecture, lead faculty discussions and teach a course at both the Brooklyn and Long Island campuses via video conference.

Rabbi Bretton-Granatoor will deliver the chair’s fourth annual lecture on March 13 (Long Island) and March 27 (Brooklyn). Both lectures are free and open to the public.

His religious studies course, *People of the Book: How Jews, Christians and Muslims Read Their Sacred Texts*, is being offered for the spring 2012 semester. Its goal is to help students come to a clearer understanding of these three faiths, and to allow the wisdom of their sacred writings — the Bible and the Quran — speak to our world today.

The rabbi previously visited St. Joseph’s Long Island Campus on November 8 and the Brooklyn Campus on November 9 to present his lecture, “Our Duty to Remember,” at the College’s annual evening of Jewish-Christian dialogue in remembrance of Kristallnacht, hosted by the Institute for the Study of Religion in Community Life.

A graduate of the Hebrew Union College-Jewish Institute of Religion, Rabbi Bretton-Granatoor is vice president of philanthropy at the World Union for Progressive Judaism, which supports more than 1,200 reform/progressive/liberal Jewish congregations and more than 1.7 million members around the world. He has also served as director of the education division and director of interfaith affairs at the Anti-Defamation League, and as senior rabbi at Stephen Wise Free Synagogue in Manhattan for eight years. ■

The New Freshman Seminar — SJC 100

by Phillip Dehne, Ph.D.



Robert Amlier

I have enjoyed being a historian ever since I started graduate school, and over the last decade as a professor on the Brooklyn Campus, I have ordinarily enjoyed my steady routine of teaching history courses. But as is sometimes the way when committee work is concerned, an initial action can sometimes lead one in an unexpected direction.

My involvement in preparing for the College's reaccreditation a few years ago led to subsequent work on the transformation of the College's liberal arts core curriculum, as detailed in the last issue of *St. Joseph's College Magazine* by my colleague Michael Hanophy. As we worked on fashioning the new core, I became particularly involved in the creation of a subsection of it, the seminar for freshmen that we have called, simply, SJC 100.

No two colleges have the same core curriculum, but in looking at other institutions similar to our own, we were struck by how many schools mandate that all incoming freshman, regardless of their major, must take at least one first-year seminar. These courses ordinarily aim to help to orient students to the academic expectations of college life and to the facilities and opportunities available at that college, while also exposing them to the commitment and passion of the faculty.

After many discussions, thinking all the while of the needs of our students and the mission and goals of the College, we formed a plan for SJC 100. Individual professors from a wide variety of departments are creating courses focused on one of their particular scholarly interests. All the courses are geared to a level so that any student could take any of them, even if on a topic far afield from his or her prospective major.

Despite the very different topics of these courses, all sections of SJC 100 will introduce students to what we consider basic and critical aspects of college life, including critical reading, writing and discussion; the proper use of the 21st-century college library; other college services including the Academic Center and the computer systems; and the importance of academic integrity.

Working hand in hand with the Freshman Year Experience (FYE) program run by the Office of Student Life, those of us involved in SJC 100 hope that our new program will give all freshmen a full initiation into what it will take for them to be successful St. Joseph's students over their next four years.

Freshmen on the Brooklyn Campus began taking SJC 100 classes in the fall 2011 semester. The topics included "Magic Bullet, Miracle Drug: the History of Antibiotic Therapy," taught by a biology professor; "Reading Martial Arts" offered by a member of the speech and communications department; and "The Dinner Party," taught by a child study professor.

If one were cynical, it would be tempting to call these freshmen in the class of 2015 "guinea pigs" for our new experiment and, undoubtedly, assessments we run this semester will help us to modify and improve the program for future years. However, I am confident that the quality of the courses, the enthusiasm and expertise of their instructors, and the skills the students work on in these courses will help us to meet our goals for SJC 100, giving all incoming students a thorough and thoughtful orientation to the academic life of the College. ■

Dr. Dehne is a professor of history on the Brooklyn Campus.

News and Notes

Biology

Michael J. Hanophy, Ph.D., presented a poster titled "The Use of Primary Literature in the Freshman Biology Laboratory" at the 18th Annual American Society for Microbiology Conference for Undergraduate Educators in Baltimore in June 2011. The poster abstract was published in the *Journal of Microbiology & Biology Education*.

Business Administration and Accounting

For the second year in a row, the *New York Law Journal* named **Elizabeth Bonina** one of the top 10 mediators in New York state. A former justice of the state Supreme Court, Ms. Bonina currently teaches business law on the Brooklyn Campus.

Charles Pendola contributed an article, "The Statistical, Social and Economic Consequences of a Normal Retirement Age," to the October 2011 issue of *The CPA Journal*, a publication of the New York State Society of CPAs.

Child Study

The Smithtown and Long Beach school districts hired **Edgar Daniels** and **Kathleen Cassidy** as consultants for the 2011-2012 school year. The pair will help Smithtown revise its teacher mentor program and create a new teacher induction program, and will work with Long Beach English teachers to implement cooperative learning in their classrooms. Mr. Daniels was also asked by Harrison Middleton University, a distance-learning institution affiliated with The Great Books Foundation, to lead its fall quarterly university discussion using the shared inquiry discussion method.

Fine Arts

Leslie A. Shaw curated an art exhibition at the Brooklyn Campus called "Shifting Elements: Dina Helal, Margaret Krug, Janet Rutkowski — Artists Using Materials in Unique Ways," which ran from October 24 through November 30, 2011.

Graduate Management Studies

Linda F. Fonte was a co-presenter for an online seminar, Learn About Prior Learning Assessment Without Leaving Your Desk, hosted by the Council for Adult and Experiential Learning (CAEL) in May and June, 2011. She was also a co-presenter at the CAEL International Conference in San Diego in November 2010.

Management

Diane Pfadenhauer delivered the opening keynote at the 2011 Human Resources & Employer Compliance Summit in San Diego in November 2011.

Mathematics and Computer Science

"Analysis of the Basketball Free Throw," a paper by **David Seppala-Holtzman, Ph.D.**, was recently published in *The College Mathematics Journal*, a publication of the Mathematical Association of America (MAA). In May 2011, Dr. Seppala-Holtzman accompanied five students to the MAA's annual meeting at Stony Brook University, where two of them presented their research results from the previous year's senior seminar course.

Philosophy

Wendy Turgeon, Ph.D., attended the Interdisciplinary Net Conference in Oxford, England, in July 2011. She present-

ed "The Camera's Eye and I: Re-imaging the First Person Singular," a paper on visual images and gender roles.

Psychology

Peter Lin, Ph.D., spent the summer of 2011 in South Africa doing relief work with HIV orphans and patients. He also recently wrote a book chapter, "Home, at Last," which was published in the book, *Flower in the Snow: Mindfulness in Action*. His chapter is about the psychological meaning of service and relief work.

Diane Sherlip, Ph.D., was elected to a two-year term as president of the Suffolk County Psychological Association in June 2011. The professional association of licensed psychologists and certified school psychologists serves more than 250 active members.

Recreation and Leisure Studies

Robin Lombardo was listed in *Who's Who in Healthcare and Medicine 2010-2011*.

Religious Studies

S. Suzanne Franck C.S.J., Ph.D., published "Sophia Wisdom and Climate Change" in the anthology, *Confronting the Climate Crisis: Catholic Theological Perspectives* (Marquette University Press, September 2011).

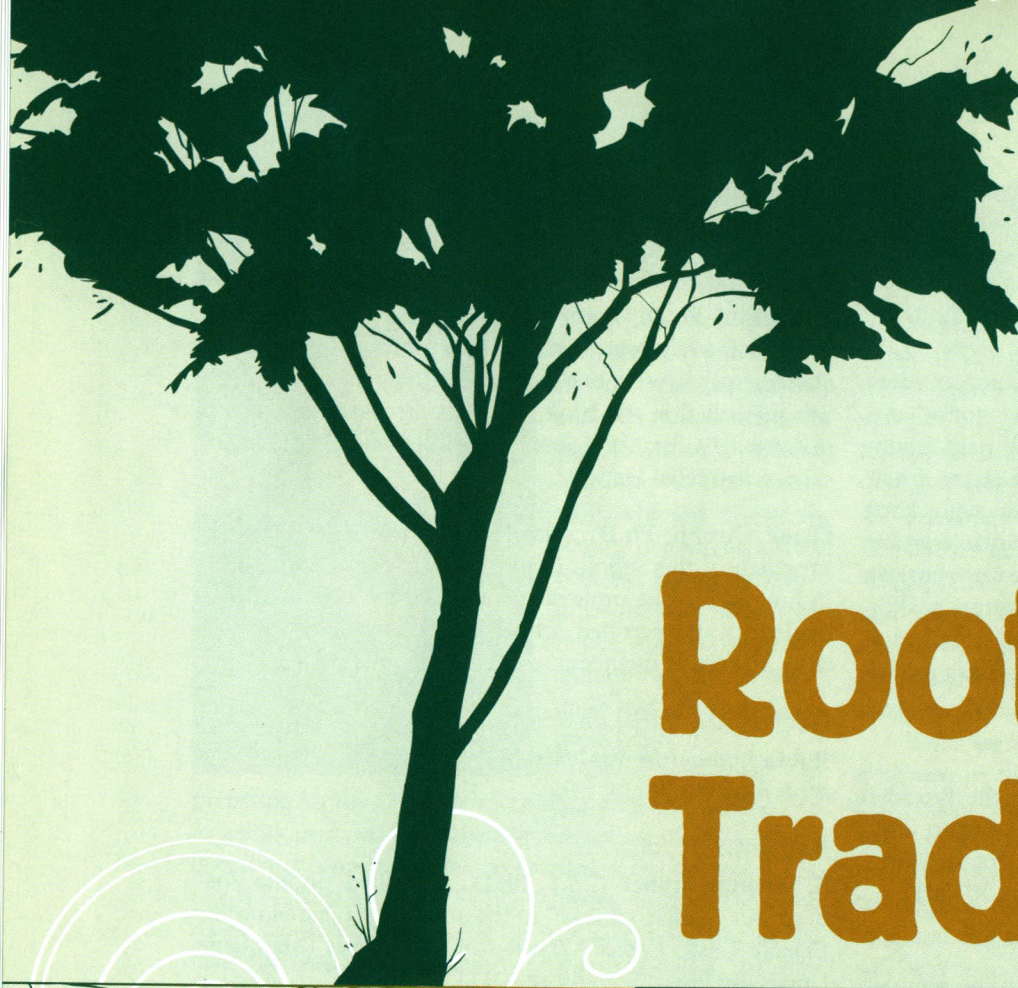
Social Sciences

Kenneth Bauzon, Ph.D., presented a lecture, "Perspectives on Filipino-American Immigration," at the Charlotte Museum of History in Charlotte, North Carolina, in September 2011. The lecture was hosted by and grant-funded through the museum, a Smithsonian Institution affiliate.

William Bengston, Ph.D., contributed a chapter, "Spirituality, Connection, and Healing with Intent: Reflections on Cancer Experiments on Laboratory Mice," to *Handbook of Spirituality and Psychology* (Oxford University Press, 2011). He was also elected president of the Society for Scientific Exploration, an international professional organization of scientists and scholars who study unusual and unexplained phenomena.

Speech (Communication Studies)

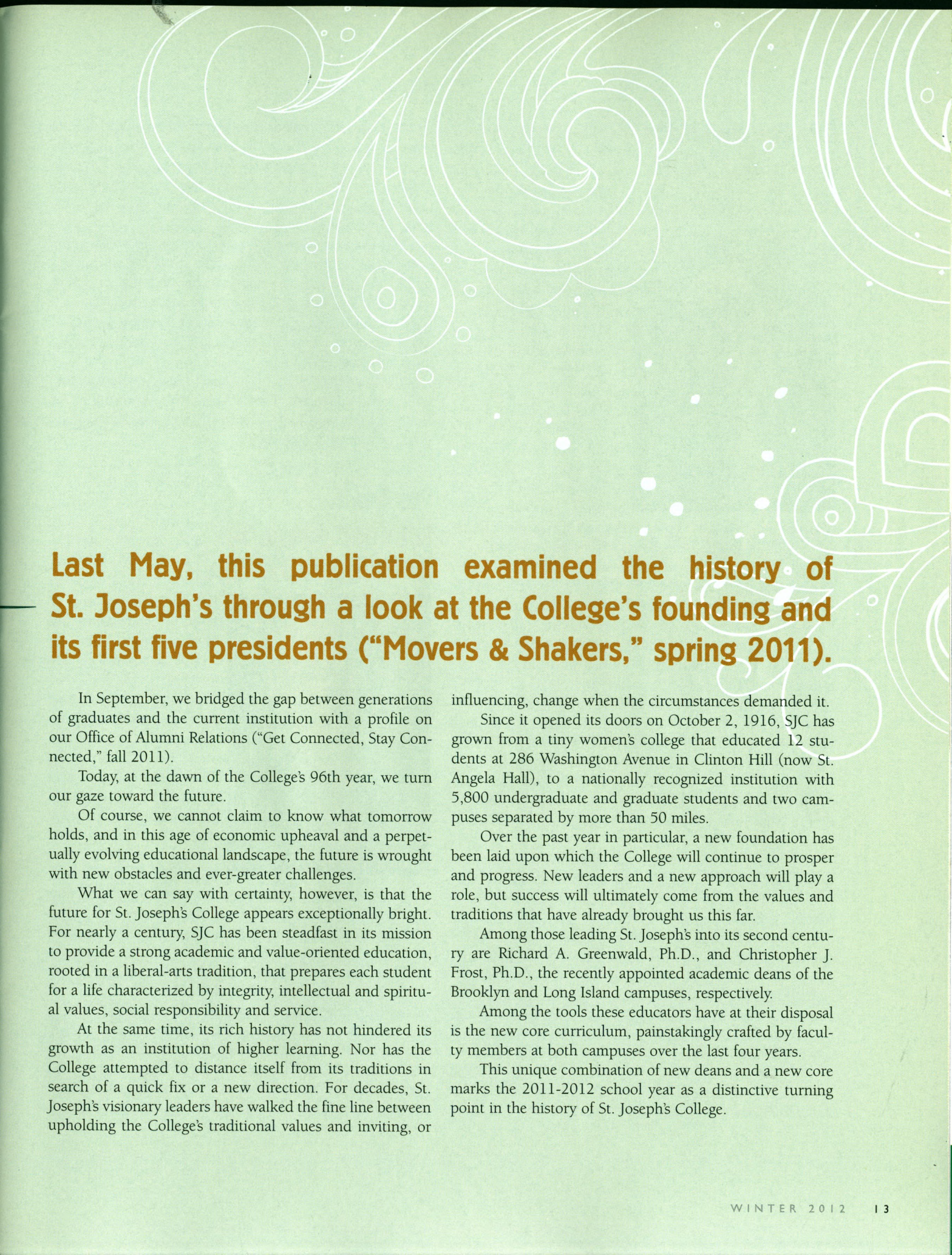
"Writing in a Vacuum," a collection of short plays and semi-autobiographical monologues by **Tom Hoefner '00**, was produced in workshop form in October 2011 by the Mt. Carmel Theatre Company of Williamsburg, Brooklyn, in preparation for the theater festival season in New York this summer. (**Adam Mace '08** is the company's founder and serves as artistic director.) ■



Rooted
in
Tradition,

Growing
Toward
the Future

by Brian Sutch • bsutch@sjcny.edu



Last May, this publication examined the history of St. Joseph's through a look at the College's founding and its first five presidents ("Movers & Shakers," spring 2011).

In September, we bridged the gap between generations of graduates and the current institution with a profile on our Office of Alumni Relations ("Get Connected, Stay Connected," fall 2011).

Today, at the dawn of the College's 96th year, we turn our gaze toward the future.

Of course, we cannot claim to know what tomorrow holds, and in this age of economic upheaval and a perpetually evolving educational landscape, the future is wrought with new obstacles and ever-greater challenges.

What we can say with certainty, however, is that the future for St. Joseph's College appears exceptionally bright. For nearly a century, SJC has been steadfast in its mission to provide a strong academic and value-oriented education, rooted in a liberal-arts tradition, that prepares each student for a life characterized by integrity, intellectual and spiritual values, social responsibility and service.

At the same time, its rich history has not hindered its growth as an institution of higher learning. Nor has the College attempted to distance itself from its traditions in search of a quick fix or a new direction. For decades, St. Joseph's visionary leaders have walked the fine line between upholding the College's traditional values and inviting, or

influencing, change when the circumstances demanded it.

Since it opened its doors on October 2, 1916, SJC has grown from a tiny women's college that educated 12 students at 286 Washington Avenue in Clinton Hill (now St. Angela Hall), to a nationally recognized institution with 5,800 undergraduate and graduate students and two campuses separated by more than 50 miles.

Over the past year in particular, a new foundation has been laid upon which the College will continue to prosper and progress. New leaders and a new approach will play a role, but success will ultimately come from the values and traditions that have already brought us this far.

Among those leading St. Joseph's into its second century are Richard A. Greenwald, Ph.D., and Christopher J. Frost, Ph.D., the recently appointed academic deans of the Brooklyn and Long Island campuses, respectively.

Among the tools these educators have at their disposal is the new core curriculum, painstakingly crafted by faculty members at both campuses over the last four years.

This unique combination of new deans and a new core marks the 2011-2012 school year as a distinctive turning point in the history of St. Joseph's College.

Dr. Greenwald Becoming What We've Always Been



Photos by Robert Amisler

With his first full semester under his belt, Dr. Richard Greenwald seems to be right at home on the Brooklyn Campus.

"I've had a pretty smooth transition," he said. "[Former Dean] S. Margaret [Buckley, C.S.J., Ed.D.] has been wonderful in acclimating me to the world. I've been trying to spend some time getting to know the students, the culture ... and also trying

to figure out how best to preserve what's special and important about St. Joseph's and how to move us forward."

A New York native — he lives in Queens with his wife, Debbie, and their two children — Dr. Greenwald is particularly excited by Clinton Hill and the burgeoning arts scene in Brooklyn, a passion he hopes to share with the student body.

"One of the things I want to do as dean, and work with faculty on, is integrating this campus into the life of the borough and the city itself," he explained.

"We are in a very unique situation in that the neighborhood the College is in is one of the most artistically creative and culturally rich neighborhoods in all of New York City. It's the kind of place Manhattanites come to for culture.

"I want to find a way for us to bring that culture to our campus and to have our students go out and be part of that. Part of what college is about is being engaged in the world you're living in."

Those efforts are already under way. In November, the College kicked off its Brooklyn Voices series of visiting writers with a lecture by noted author Colson Whitehead — himself a native New Yorker (see story on Page 7). Mr. Whitehead is the first in a series of guests who — as Dr. Greenwald hopes to make a prerequisite for the program's first year — live within walking distance of the campus.

Throughout the fall, Dr. Greenwald was impressed by what he discovered at St. Joseph's, citing small class sizes and the diversity and cohesion of the student body as goals that other colleges and universities strive, often in vain, to achieve.

"One of the things about this campus is that we're still small, still very personal, and faculty and students get to know each other very, very well," he said.

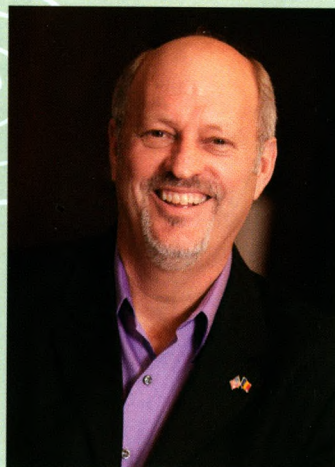
"I've noticed that students spend an awful lot of time here. They come early in the morning and they stay late, and it's not just because they have classes. I think they're deeply involved and committed to campus clubs, campus activities, athletics, and also socializing and involving themselves in the life of the College."

When asked what he'd like to see St. Joseph's become over the long term, Dr. Greenwald answered simply: "It should become what it's always been, and that is a very good place for undergraduate and graduate education.

"Small schools that become bigger have a tendency of forgetting what made them special," he added. "I don't think that's happened here.

"Because the Sisters of St. Joseph have made the mission front and center, I feel a personal responsibility to make sure that anything we do fits that mission and extends it rather than pulls it away."

Dr. Frost Different Ways of Envisioning the Future



Dr. Greenwald arrived at SJC via Drew University in New Jersey, where he served as dean of the Caspersen School of Graduate Studies and director of university partnerships. For Dr. Christopher Frost, the Long Island Campus' new academic dean, the road was considerably longer — by about 2,800 miles.

Dr. Frost, who will begin his tenure as dean at the start of the spring 2012 semester, comes to Patchogue from San Diego State University (SDSU), where he served as associate dean of undergraduate studies and a professor of psychology and religion since 2006. His wife, Kathy, and youngest daughter plan to join him on Long Island this summer.

Making the jump from SDSU, a West Coast public university with nearly 34,000 students, to St. Joseph's, an East Coast private college a fraction as large, may seem like a jarring adjustment, but the new dean is undaunted.

"With education right now undergoing so much fundamental change, I don't think there are any more cookie-cutter blueprints that people should be following," Dr. Frost said.

"I think this is a time for stepping back and reassessing, and I think the more kinds of experience one has had, the better equipped one is to step back and see different ways of envisioning the future."

Experience in different educational settings is one thing Dr. Frost has in spades. A native of Austin, Texas, who began college at the United States Naval Academy, he went on to study at Baylor University, and later earned his M.A. in Psychology of Religion and Ph.D. in Psychology and Interdisciplinary Studies at Boston University.

From 1986-2006, he taught psychology and directed the honors program at Texas State University, along with brief interludes as a visiting professor at Midway Women's College in Kentucky, a Fulbright senior research scholar at the University of Bucharest in Romania and an associate professor at Al Akhawayn University in Morocco.

In St. Joseph's, Dr. Frost found a liberal arts environment where he believes his skill set as an educator will best align.

"It's all about alignment," he said, "and I'm at the point in my career where I'd like to get right into a community where there's a complete match between my own highest priorities and values and the distinctive mission of the institution."

Much like his counterpart on the Brooklyn Campus, he points to SJC's small class sizes as a major plus.

"I've been a teacher long enough to know that the things you can do in a small classroom, using seminar-style pedagogy, are distinctly different," contrasting St. Joe's with large, public universities where 500-seat classrooms are not uncommon.

The biggest selling point, though, was the College motto: *Esse non videri* — "To be, not to seem."

"At the large, public research universities, there can be too much emphasis on rankings, Carnegie classification status and how you appear ... how you position yourself in the marketplace," Dr. Frost explained.

"When I saw the motto, 'to be, not to seem' ... that from the outset was something that made me look closer. And then when I came out here for a short first conversation before the full interview, I discovered that the motto reflected the reality of a truly authentic community. In particular, I was delighted to see a 'Quest for Meaning' emphasis embedded in the new core; as a faculty member, many of my interdisciplinary seminars are subtitled 'a quest for meaning.'"

The New Core Rooted in the Liberal Arts

Beginning with the fall 2011 semester, incoming freshmen will be introduced to St. Joseph's revamped core cur-

riculum, which biology professor Michael J. Hanophy, Ph.D., described in detail in our last issue ("Developing a New Core Curriculum," fall 2011).

The College's general education program remained virtually unchanged since the early 1970s, but over the past four years a curriculum committee carefully reassessed the existing core and proposed a series of sweeping changes designed to meet the needs of 21st-century students while staying true to the College's values and traditions.

"The mission and values of who you are as an institution, what you're about and what makes you distinctive needs to be integrated into the education of every student on campus," Dr. Frost said. "That's what a core is meant to do."

The most significant change from the old core to the new is the grouping of courses into five thematic areas: quest for meaning; human expression; self and society; global awareness; and the mathematical, physical and natural world. Each of these areas may contain courses from a variety of fields, stressing the interrelated nature of academic disciplines.

The new core also features five integrated learning areas designed to build intellectual skills and abilities, enhance the connections about and between the various academic disciplines and cocurricular life, and foster an environment of openness to the exploration of diverse ideas, traditions and cultures.

"It's rooted in the liberal arts," Dr. Greenwald explained. "Our students, whether they're accounting majors or recreation studies majors or chemistry or history, they're getting a common core set of knowledge. We all know you have to have specific skills to get ahead, whatever your major is, but you also need the soft cultural skills, what sociologists call 'social capital.'"

"As a liberal arts-based college, it's important for us to make sure that students have a breadth of understanding about the world they're living in from multiple perspectives, so they don't just become very narrow and focused."

Dr. Frost, though not yet part of the faculty while the curriculum was being developed and implemented, echoed Dr. Greenwald's praise for the College's new approach and all who were involved in its design.

"That core, the more that you can put into it that's really designed to make the educational experience distinctive of this institution and aligned with who we are and what we're about, the better," Dr. Frost said.

"It's very clear that it reflects precisely that kind of commitment by the faculty, by every person who contributed to its creation." ■



A *Loving* Tribute

SJC Dedicates the Barbara A. Carroll, M.D. Laboratory

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Barbara Carroll never attended St. Joseph's College but, by all accounts, she would have been an excellent fit. She was, after all, the quintessential student of the liberal arts. Throughout her life, the young woman burned with an insatiable desire to learn all that she could about the world around her.

"She wanted to know everything about everything," said her mother, Barbara Lediger Carroll '58. "Her goal when she was about 12 was to read all the books in the nonfiction section of the library. She sampled everything."

True to her word, Barbie (as she was affectionately called by her parents) worked her way through the Dewey Decimal System, consuming books by the dozen on a wide range of topics, from raising puppies to organic farming, interior design to world religions.

Throughout high school, she studied fine art and music, took dancing lessons, learned to play and compose music for the guitar, practiced horseback riding and, for good measure, enjoyed bowling.

She was, to say the least, very well rounded.

Although Barbie's love of the liberal arts was evident from an early age, there was always one field that stood out above the rest: biology.

"From the time she was 3 years old, she was interested in science," her mother said. "That was her pathway. Her favorite television program on Sunday morning was not cartoons, but the farming show, a documentary that was on every week.

She'd sit and learn about combines and crop rotation."

Much to her parents' surprise, Barbie never became a farmer, although organic vegetable farming remained a life-long passion. Instead, she went to medical school, and saved lives working as an attending physician in emergency medicine at Beth Israel Hospital in Manhattan.

Tragically, her promising life and career were cut short. Barbie passed away in 1995, succumbing to ovarian cancer at the young age of 35.

Today, more than 16 years after her death, a small part of her legacy lives on at St. Joseph's.

On November 11, Mrs. Carroll and her husband, Joe, visited the Long Island Campus to dedicate the College's brand new science lab to the memory of their beloved daughter. They were joined by President S. Elizabeth A. Hill, C.S.J., J.D.; faculty; staff; students; and more than two dozen family members and friends, including Barbie's college biology professor, S. Leo Francis Monaghan, O.P.

The Barbara A. Carroll, M.D. Laboratory is actually a series of three interconnected laboratories converted from classroom space in the lower level of O'Connor Hall.

"These new labs will enable us to continue our long tradition of preparing students to enter scientific and technical fields ready to compete with the best and the brightest," S. Elizabeth said. "And so it is very fitting that they be dedicated in memory of a young woman who was herself one of the best and brightest."

Photos by Robert Amsler



Friends of the College

Residents of Baldwin, Nassau County, for the past 44 years, the Carrolls (Barbara is a licensed teacher of the deaf and hard of hearing; Joe is an attorney at law, and an alumnus and trustee of Manhattan College) have been consistent donors for many years, and their contributions to St. Joseph's College have been considerable.

The couple are members of The Aquinas Society, a group of individuals who have made long-term investments in the future of the St. Joseph's by naming the College as beneficiary in their wills or other planned-giving vehicles, such as trusts, annuities, IRAs or life insurance policies.

"My husband and I have always donated to our respective alma maters," Mrs. Carroll explained.

"We used to give when we had very little," her husband added.

"It is very important to us to show our thanks for the abundance we have received and the accomplishments we have enjoyed as a result of the fine education with which we have been blessed," Mrs. Carroll said.

"If we, in some small way, can provide others with the same opportunities, perhaps they, in turn, will be motivated in the future to continue the grand legacy of St. Joseph's College."

A Proud Tradition

When the Carrolls were approached about an opportunity to lend their name to a campus facility, Mr. Carroll's first thought was of his daughter's love of biology. The new labs were a perfect fit.

From the earliest days at St. Joseph's College, science, and biology in particular, has been an important part of the curriculum. In 1920, SJC's first, all-female graduating class included the first student who would later go on to become a doctor (virtually unheard of for a woman at the time).

"The second class produced the second doctor," S. Elizabeth said, "and the beat has gone on ever since."

Two very recent success stories from the biology department include Long Island Campus alumna Erin McKeon '11 and Brooklyn valedictorian Khaing Win '11.

Ms. McKeon is in her first year at the highly competitive Cornell University School of Veterinary Medicine, one of only 28 accredited veterinary schools in the U.S.

Ms. Win, who interned at the Massachusetts Institute of Technology and Columbia University while a student at SJC, earned a full fellowship to study neuroscience at the University of Pennsylvania.

These alumnae are only two of many shining examples that illustrate the continuing success of St. Joseph's B.S. in Biology program, currently the second largest enrollment at both campuses.

In the fall 2011 semester, the College introduced its new B.S. in Medical Technology program.

Also known as clinical laboratory science, the program consists of three years of course work and one year of clinical training at New York Methodist Hospital's School of Medical Technology. It will prepare students for careers as medical technologists in clinical laboratory settings, including blood banking, chemistry, hematology, immunology and microbiology.

"This new program is a wonderful addition to the St. Joseph's College curriculum," said Frank Antonawich, Ph.D., professor and chair of the biology department. "It will allow students who are interested in a career in health care another avenue in which to achieve their goals."

The True Value of a Liberal Arts Education

The many opportunities available to St. Joseph's students would have served Barbie well. When it came time for her to select a major, her vast and diverse array of interests and talents made for a very difficult decision.

"You love biology," her mother told her at the time. "Major in what you love."





So she did. And when it came time to decide what to do after college, medical school seemed like an obvious choice.

"She applied to many schools," Mrs. Carroll said, "and she had excellent grades. She was a top-notch student all the way through, and she wasn't accepted anywhere." The small college she attended did not yet have a track record of producing candidates for medical school.

Barbie, of course, was undeterred. She accepted a teaching assistantship, and in two years earned a master's degree in microbiology. When she was finally accepted to Tulane Medical School, though, it was her vast knowledge of the liberal arts that played a key role, as Mrs. Carroll recalled at the dedication ceremony.

"She came back from that interview, and she said, 'that was the strangest interview I've ever had. I was interviewed by a doctor, we sat in his office, and we never spoke about medicine, we never spoke about hospitals or science.'

"He was looking at my essay and he said, I see you've written some music ..."

The doctor himself was an avid musician.

"So they talked about music. And then he looked further and he said, 'You've studied religions of the East?' So they talked about Buddhism, Hinduism and Shintoism — that was their whole interview."

That anecdote, Mrs. Carroll said, shows the importance of being well rounded and having an understanding of the world at large.

"For all students, even if they have a passion and a very narrow focus, they need that liberal arts background," she said.

Throughout her medical training, Barbie continued to explore the world around her. During her residency, she still found time to harvest her very own organic vegetable garden, and her passion for the arts never ceased.

"When she'd come home on vacation from medical school, she'd always reserve one day to go into the city by herself and go to the Metropolitan Museum of Art and just absorb it, because she really loved it," Mrs. Carroll said.

"She loved life, she loved theater, she loved literature and she especially loved her patients. She was a very compassionate physician."

While she never graced St. Joseph's halls, these memories of Dr. Carroll's heart, mind and spirit will set a fine example for generations of SJC students to come. ■

Barbara Ann Carroll, M.D.

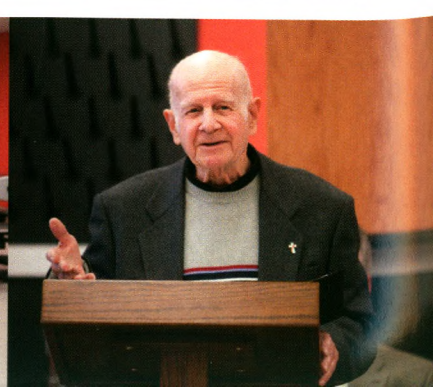
April 14, 1960-December 2, 1995



Barbara Carroll earned a B.S. in Biology from Molloy College, Rockville Centre, in 1982; an M.S. in Microbiology from Adelphi University, Garden City, in 1984; and a Doctor of Medicine from Tulane University School of Medicine, New Orleans, in 1988.

She completed the residency program in emergency medicine at George Washington University/Georgetown University, Washington, D.C., in 1991.

Dr. Carroll was an attending physician in emergency medicine at Beth Israel Hospital in Manhattan from 1991-1995.



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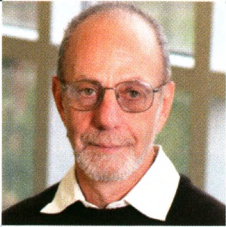
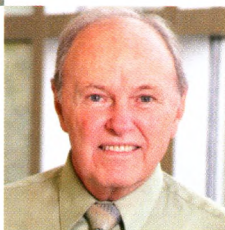
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a true TEAM effort

Faculty and Staff
Members Obtain a
\$1.2 Million Grant
for Science and
Mathematics

Photos by Robert Amsler

Throughout the past decade, the number of math and science educators in the United States has been on the decline, threatening the nation's role as a leader in technology development and scientific research.

To help combat this downturn, St. Joseph's College has stepped up its efforts to prepare its students for careers in STEM fields: science, technology, engineering and mathematics. In August 2011, those efforts yielded a significant payoff — a \$1.2 million grant from the National Science Foundation's Robert Noyce Teacher Scholarship Program.

This remarkable accomplishment will provide scholarships of approximately \$10,000 to at least 25 SJC undergraduate and graduate students from both Brooklyn and Long Island who are pursuing careers as secondary math and science teachers in high-need schools. The funds will also be used to provide new educational resources and opportunities for professional development.

Obtaining this grant was the result of a collaborative effort by more than a dozen faculty and staff members from both campuses, primarily from the Department of Mathematics and Computer Science, with contributions from the Departments of Secondary Education, Biology and Chemistry, as well as the Office of Institutional Advancement.

This was the third grant obtained by this group and awarded to SJC by the National Science Foundation (NSF). Over the past decade, funds from previous grants were used to encourage students from under-represented groups to major in computing, the sciences and mathematics; to enhance the College's computer science and mathematics programs; to award scholarships to students who had residual financial need; and to fund programs related to the recruitment and retention of these students through graduation.

"One of the College's goals is to support educational programs and services that contribute to the vitality of the communities served by the Brooklyn and Long Island campuses," said William McAllister, professor of mathematics and computer science on the Long Island Campus.

"This grant helps us to accomplish that goal by funding the educational development of highly qualified teachers committed to teaching in high-need school districts."

With funds from the Noyce grant, SJC created the STEM EMPOWERS (Encourages, Mentors and Prepares Others With Educational Resources and Scholarships) program for students majoring in STEM fields. The program

recruits potential teachers with strong skills in mathematics or science who may not have chosen a career in K-12 teaching, especially women and under-represented minorities. It provides scholarships for up to 47 juniors and seniors majoring in the sciences and mathematics, and six students in the M.A. in Mathematics Education degree program.

In addition, STEM EMPOWERS will provide paid summer internships for a handful of students, opportunities to participate in research programs, educational resources and academic support, while preparing and mentoring students for teaching in 21st-century classrooms. Following the completion of their coursework, Robert Noyce Scholarship students will teach two years in a high-need secondary school for each year of scholarship funds they receive.

The grant will bring funding to the Brooklyn and Long Island communities served by SJC. In addition, it will supply qualified professionals in the fields of mathematics and sciences, which are currently cited by the federal government as areas of national need.

"A good education requires quality instruction in mathematics and science," said David Seppala-Holtzman, Ph.D., chairperson of the mathematics department on the Brooklyn Campus and principal investigator for the grant.

"Unfortunately, there are many schools in the U.S. where teachers of these disciplines are under-credentialed and ill qualified. SJC has a long and proud tradition of producing highly prepared teachers in all disciplines, including these subjects. This grant will help SJC recruit and prepare teachers for these disciplines and place them in schools that desperately need them."

With the Noyce grant secured, the group hopes that it will continue to successfully obtain more grants in the future. The faculty members involved recognize the competition that exists from other colleges and major universities in the country, but are optimistic that St. Joseph's reputation will speak for itself.

"We will continue demonstrating that SJC has high-quality math, computer science and physical science programs, and that our faculty members have the expertise to administer these programs," Mr. McAllister said.

"The successful outcomes of our first grant helped secure the second grant, and the successful outcomes of our second grant helped secure our third grant. So far we're three-for-three, and I believe we will be four-for-four." ■

Pictured (L-R from top) are S. Jane Fritz, C.S.J.; Bogumila Lai, Ph.D.; Philip Lombardo; William McAllister; Frank Antonawich, Ph.D.; Victoria Hong; Jill Rehmann, Ph.D.; Vasil Skenderi, Ph.D.; S. Nancy Gilchrist, S.S.N.D., Ed.D.; William Vojir, Ph.D.; Donna Pirich, Ph.D.; David Seppala-Holtzman, Ph.D.; Theresa White; and Kerry Ojakian, Ph.D. Not pictured are Clare Kehoe; Elana Reiser, Ph.D.; and Mark Wilson '08.

Being the Solution

Douglas Smith '12 Inspires Change in His Community



A necessary disclaimer to precede this article: Douglas Smith '12 is not running for public office.

The 21-year-old recent graduate of St. Joseph's College assumes the likeness of a model politician, articulate and extremely personable in his crisp suit and tie. But again, do not transcribe the name "Douglas Smith" as a write-in at the polls.

"I'm not a fan of politics," Mr. Smith says. "Politics is a vehicle to getting things accomplished, but when people think of politics they think of people arguing and not getting anything done."

An SJC National Science Foundation MOSAIC Scholarship recipient, student teacher, member of the Sachem Central School District's Community Education Department and founder of numerous local initiatives, Douglas Smith is first and foremost a doer.

Engrained in the development of Long Island for the next generation, Mr. Smith spent his four years at SJC working to ensure an affordable and opportunity-filled future for his fellow L.I. residents, in whatever ways he could.

"As it stands today, people can't afford to live on Long Island. They can't afford to graduate from high school, go to college, get a job and purchase a home here."

Through one of the more recent programs Mr. Smith has started, the TEAM Initiative (www.teamprogram.org), he utilizes the SJC student community to provide free after-school education for high-need high school students — a valuable program that assists in both the edification of young minds and in helping families save money.

"I never realized how much tutoring costs," Mr. Smith continues. "Some of these parents work three jobs just to live here — they're not able to hire tutors — and something like the TEAM Initiative doesn't cost a dime."

By bringing student-mentors from the College to tutor in Suffolk County districts such as Brentwood, Central Islip and Bay Shore, Mr. Smith is shocked at the positive reception the program has already received.

"The idea is a win-win-win. We need to get kids interested in academics and show them you can go to college and become something."

Last summer, as a student-researcher at Brookhaven National Lab, Mr. Smith spent his time working in the pre-service teaching department to further develop Long Island's youth. During a 10-week program, he established a long-term mission to develop an affiliate center for those students interested in learning more about the sciences.

"There are a lot of students in high-risk areas, but there aren't many at BNL," Mr. Smith says. "I want to change that.

One of the reasons I like education so much is because I like to help kids build their own knowledge with discovery learning, like what is being done at BNL. When you coordinate a teaching lesson around a real challenge, it works."

Describing the aforementioned projects undertaken by Mr. Smith barely breaks the surface of the socially conscious alumnus' pool of work. It's impossible to simply classify him as a community activist, and — as an SJC graduate with a bachelor's degree in secondary education and mathematics — it's difficult to classify him as simply an educator. Even in the realm of education, Mr. Smith goes beyond any semblance of expectation.

During his placement as a student teacher of trigonometry and precalculus at Sachem High School North, Mr. Smith also worked to obtain a \$10,000 grant through Cablevision for the district to promote technology in the classroom.

And, by including the TEAM Initiative prospectus in a recent St. Joseph's College scholarship application to demonstrate SJC's outreach capabilities, S. Jane Fritz, C.S.J., professor of mathematics and computer science, asserts that Mr. Smith was instrumental in the College's attainment of a \$1.2 million grant from the National Science Foundation's Robert Noyce Teacher Scholarship Program. (Read more about the NSF grant on Page 20.)

"Something I always say is, 'Be the solution,' which is another one of those cheesy sayings," Mr. Smith says. "But, to that end, I also started working with New York State Assemblyman Al Graf as his legislative aide."

Mr. Smith reaches near-revelatory levels of social and fiscal understanding when he explains his hands-on interactions with local government. He describes a scene at a 2011 economic development forum he attended with local businessmen, educational representatives and politicians:

"Everyone is talking about how bad the economy is, and I turned around and said, 'you know what, this is the economy. When we all work together, we run the economy. So instead of waiting for somebody else to do it, just do it, because you can. *Be the solution.*'"

For such a naturally talented individual, it is surprising to hear Mr. Smith deny his innate gifts and credit his college for his selfless and enterprising abilities.

"St. Joseph's College was amazing. At St. Joe's, everything is hands-on. You get opportunities with professors that you would not have received elsewhere, and they work with your schedule and always give great advice.

"Because of SJC, I went from someone who was concerned about things to someone who can actually change them." ■

THE GIFT OF A LIFETIME

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Upon entering her home, it's immediately apparent that Muriel Pless '41 is not a typical hostess peddling tea and biscotti. Her foyer, a globally inspired tableau, is indicative of its owner: a sharp-witted woman with a wealth of knowledge from across the globe.

Most impressive of all, at 92 years of age, Ms. Pless stands and speaks with the spirited voice of a young woman starting her life and eager to see it all.

"A Latin teacher once told me a brilliant quote about seeing the world: Travel before the mountains get too high, the foods get too spicy and the beds get too hard," she explains as she leads the way to one of her most personal and prized possessions — a collection of Madonna statues, each obtained during her visits to Europe, Asia and beyond.

The pieces, decades old and in extraordinarily impressive condition, stand pristine and proud against the hallway walls, as if tangible extensions of Ms. Pless' own vitality.

"Spain, Germany, China, Japan ..." Ms. Pless moves a fixed hand patiently across the face of her collection. She supplements the name of each country with a story of adventure at each destination with her late sister, Virginia. Her constant cohort, Virginia accompanied Muriel as the two acquired the precious Madonna keepsakes — not only souvenirs, but also symbols of something much more precious.

"In 1968, my mother left us, and we were desolate, of course," Ms. Pless recalls. "And we said, 'at least she's with the Virgin Mary, and she'll be safe up there.' And the first trip we took was to Spain, to kind of get ourselves used to life without her. The first statue that I saw was the Crying Madonna — *La Macarena*."

The piece is a radiant color, handcrafted and extremely delicate. She removes it from the wall and strokes it with deserved care. "We loved it, and we always had this Madonna to remember. And of course that made us divinely happy because it also personified our love for our own mother."

As she discusses her life, Ms. Pless tells, with instant recall and clarity, anecdote after heartwarming anecdote about the foreign strangers and instant friends made along her journeys.

"You must travel, see the world while you're young," her eyes light up when she speaks these words.

"If you want something that typifies the country, then you have to do a little searching, which we did. Even if you weren't a collector, there's something about traveling that says, 'Take me home.' And in fact, if you look around my house, you can see them all."

Ms. Pless' home is indeed painted with the brushstrokes of a thousand colorful stories, a thousand journeys



Muriel Pless '41



Virginia Pless

and a thousand keepsakes. Mementos that most will never get to see, unless one visits the Long Island Campus of St. Joseph's College.

Ms. Pless has insisted on donating the Madonna collection to the College after her passing. A gesture that, when witnessing her affinity for the collection, is almost too much to accept.

After mulling over the question of why St. Joseph's should deserve such an intimate and priceless artistic collection, Ms. Pless almost looks baffled. "Where better than St. Joe's, where it all started? I knew if the collection were to be maintained, it would be at St. Joseph's. I always loved my College."

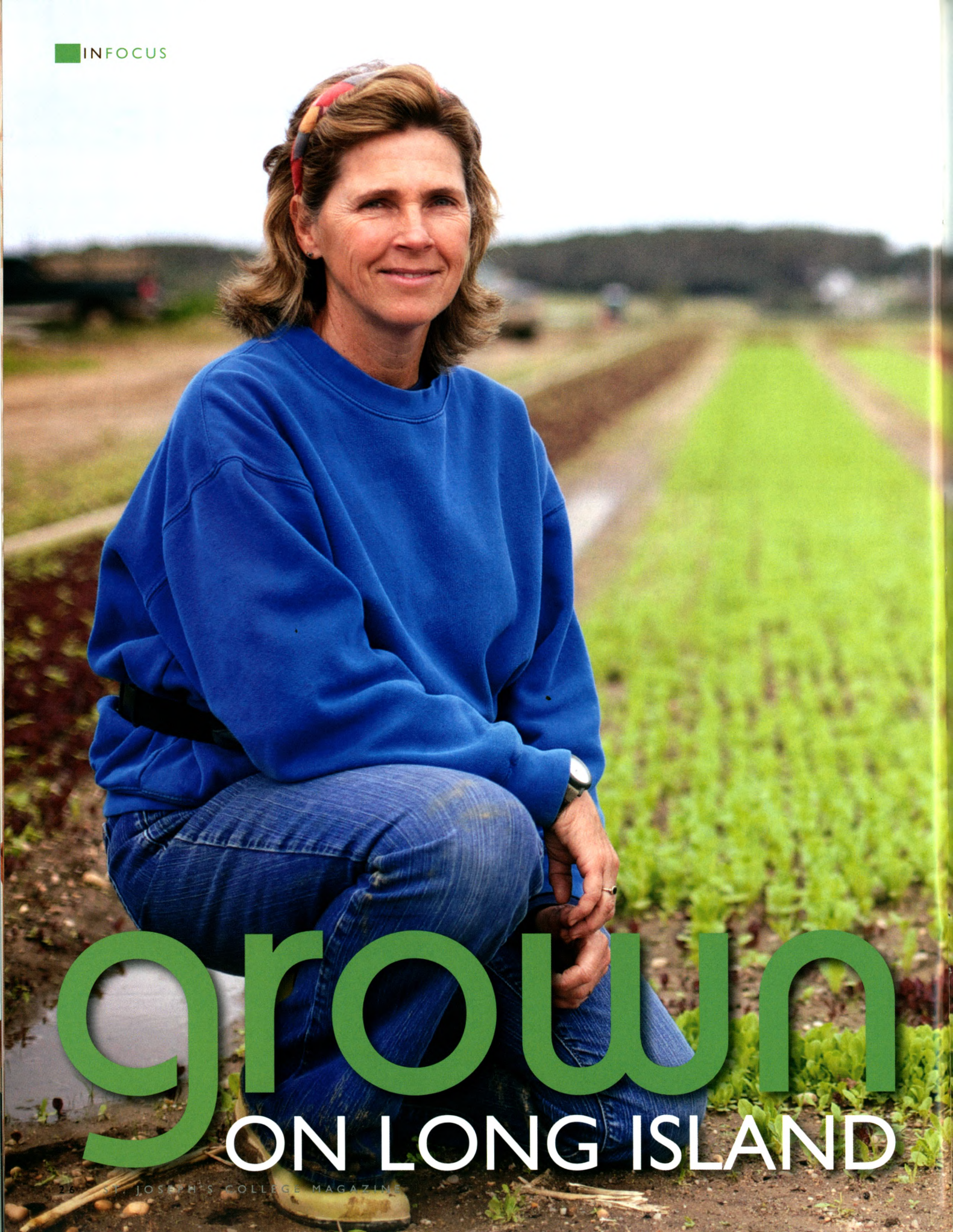
Recalling her collegiate years, Ms. Pless tells of the May Devotions, the classmates she loved so dearly and the nuns, especially S. Vincent Thérèse Tuohy, C.S.J., Ph.D., who shaped her into the woman she is today.

"I loved everything about it," she says.

Upon a single glance of the treasures she will leave to the College, it's clear that Ms. Pless not only loves St. Joseph's — she holds the institution as close to her heart as anyone possibly could. SJC President S. Elizabeth A. Hill, C.S.J., J.D., knows the sentiment is mutual.

"Muriel is a great friend of St. Joseph's and we look forward to many more years of good times and fascinating conversations," S. Elizabeth said. "We are so grateful to Muriel for sharing her beautiful collection of Madonnas with us. Each one is unique and they are very special because they are mementos of the many trips she enjoyed with her sister, Virginia."

"We are honored that we will one day receive them and delighted that they will become a treasured part of the College's history." ■

A woman with shoulder-length brown hair, wearing a bright blue sweatshirt and blue jeans, is kneeling in a field. She is smiling slightly and looking towards the camera. The field is filled with rows of young green plants, possibly seedlings, in the foreground and middle ground. The background is slightly blurred, showing more of the field and some distant structures under a bright sky. The overall tone is peaceful and focused on agriculture or gardening.

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ON LONG ISLAND

Throughout the 20th century, Long Island's public persona has changed with every era. In the 1920s, it was defined by F. Scott Fitzgerald's romantic vision of the affluent Gold Coast. In the 1950s, it served as the archetype for post-World War II suburban communities. Today it sometimes conjures images of celebrities taking in the Hamptons beaches and nightlife.

Often overlooked, however, is the vital role that agriculture has played on the island since European settlers arrived more than 350 years ago.

Between the iconic lighthouses and the bustling parkways rest more than 600 farms, which comprise nearly 36,000 acres in Nassau and Suffolk counties.

One of the largest of these operations is Schmitt Family Farms in Riverhead, and if you drive past the intersection of Sound Avenue and Roanoke Avenue between May and November, there's a good chance you'll spot Debbie Andrews Schmitt '79 selling an array of fresh vegetables, herbs and cut flowers.

Debbie's family owns and operates Schmitt's Farm Stand on Sound, a modest roadside stand consisting of only a tractor, a trailer, a small shed and a well-worn pickup truck with a sun-faded St. Joseph's College sticker on the rear window. (The sticker was already there when Debbie bought the used truck; she saw it as a good sign.) This retail operation, which began in 2003, is only one facet of a much larger business.

While Suffolk's 34,000 acres represent less than one percent of the total farmland in New York, the county is ranked No. 1 statewide in terms of the total value of agricultural products sold (nearly \$243 million), according to the 2007 Census of Agriculture, a comprehensive report issued every five years by the United States Department of Agriculture.

The Schmitt family plays a major role in this industry; its 175-acre farm is the largest grower of lettuce and other leafy greens on Long Island. King Kullen, one of Long Island's leading supermarkets, buys directly from the farm, as do a number of other local retail businesses. Restaurants such as Cooperage Inn in Baiting Hollow, New Moon Café in East Quogue and Dee Angelo's Pleasant Ave. Café in Westhampton Beach all buy directly from the Schmitts' wholesale yard.

"We grow a lot of leafy greens such as lettuce, spinach, cabbage," Debbie said. "Then we grow beets, we grow corn, we grow different kinds of herbs, car-

rots, onions, and I grow about 10 acres of cut flowers — sunflowers and other types of mixed flowers."

Debbie and her husband, Phil Schmitt, both have deep roots in Long Island farm culture. Her maternal ancestors, the Rottkamps, were farmers in Elmont, in southwestern Nassau County, while the Schmitt family farmed only a few miles away in Rosedale, Queens. As the area became more developed, Debbie's and Phil's grandfathers moved their families to Westbury and Farmingdale, respectively. While the Rottkamps eventually sold their farm, the Schmitts pressed farther east, settling at their current location in Riverhead in the late '70s.

While Phil's family has farmed continuously for 150 years, Debbie took a more circuitous route. Her father worked for New York Telephone, but his love of farming led him to rent about 20 acres of land in Plainview. For 30 years, he worked for the phone company by day, farmed with his family in the evening and on weekends, and took a load of vegetables into market every week. He and Debbie's brother now own a greenhouse operation on Sound Avenue in Wading River, a short distance from the Schmitts' farm.

Debbie and Phil dated throughout high school. While he immersed himself in agriculture, she pursued a college education. Transferring to St. Joseph's former Brentwood campus (hers was the first class to graduate in Patchogue) after two years at Farmingdale State, she earned a degree in recreation administration and worked as an activities director in a nursing home. Following their marriage in 1980, Debbie committed herself wholeheartedly to the family business.

More than 30 years later, it is still a true family affair. Debbie and Phil run the farm along with their sons, Phil Jr., 29, and Matthew, 27; and Matthew's wife, Ashley. (Their daughter, Kristie, 23, works for Farm Credit East in Enfield, Conn.) Phil's parents, Phil and Anne Schmitt, also work on the farm, as does his sister, Kathy, and brother-in-law, Stanley Zilnicki.

Long Island is hardly an ideal locale for growing and selling leafy greens, the Schmitts' primary cash crops, as Phil explained. Excessive rainfall, high regional costs and legal restrictions on certain pest-control products are all major challenges.

"There's a lot of overhead involved," Debbie said, "and sometimes we're lucky if we break even at the end of the season."

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HEART OF A

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Javi's down." Athletic Director Frank Carbone heard the news and immediately ran the five blocks from St. Joseph's Brooklyn Campus to Fort Greene Park, but by the time he arrived the ambulance was already gone.

"As an athletic director, those are your worst-nightmare situations," Mr. Carbone said. "I can still remember that day and it gives me a little chill."

The day was September 29, 2009. In the back of the ambulance was Javier Bosque.

Javier's freshman year had gotten off to an extremely promising start. The Williamsburg native, majoring in biology and attending St. Joseph's on a full scholarship, was an aspiring zoologist and an emerging star on the cross-country team. Only three weeks into his collegiate career, he had earned back-to-back Rookie of the Week honors from the Hudson Valley Men's Athletic Conference (HVMAC).

On September 19, he posted the team's best 8K performance of the season with a time of 33:47.

On September 25, he finished 23rd out of 69 runners at the Stevens Invitational with a 4K time of 14:54.

On September 29, his heart stopped.

Only days after his 18th birthday, Javier was training in the park with teammates when he collapsed and lost consciousness. His friends called 911, and a passer-by performed CPR until FDNY paramedics and EMTs arrived on the scene.

Within a few hours, Javier was in a medically induced coma at Long Island College Hospital, and the prognosis was grim. While his parents prepared themselves for the worst, his older sister, Teresa Bosque '12, hoped for a miracle.

Three days later, that miracle happened. Javier woke up.

OVERCOMING THE ODDS

Today, more than two years after the incident, Javier Bosque '14, now 20 years old, can recall little of that fateful day.

"I think there were three of us," he said with uncertainty. "We were running hills. From their accounts, because I don't remember what happened that day, as I was running back down a hill, I fell once, I got up, then I fell again, and then I still got up, and then I fell a third time, and then that third time I didn't get up."

"They thought I was playing around because I was ahead of them. They thought I was just showing off or something."

Far from it. Doctors determined that Javier had in fact suffered sudden cardiac arrest (SCA), a condition in which the

heart suddenly and unexpectedly stops beating. If this happens, blood stops flowing to the brain and other vital organs. SCA usually causes death if it's not treated within minutes.

Though doctors performed a battery of diagnostic tests on Javier and his family members, the cause of this near-fatal event was never determined.

"They can assume it was probably a combination of things," Javier said. "Stress — dehydration is also a possibility — that happens to a lot of people if it's a hot day and you don't stay hydrated. That's my guess."

Whatever the cause, the cardiac arrest took a serious toll. Before he emerged from his coma, there was a strong possibility that he could remain in a vegetative state, if he regained consciousness at all. The best-case scenario, doctors believed, was that he would suffer permanent short-term memory loss. After he woke, he suffered a major setback, as blood clots formed in his lungs and did significant damage to the tissue.

Despite the trauma he endured, Javier fully regained his physical and mental faculties well ahead of his doctors' best prognoses. They even went as far as to describe his recovery as a medical miracle. As a precaution, though, he had an implantable cardioverter defibrillator (ICD) embedded just below his left shoulder. Similar to a pacemaker, the device is designed to deliver electric shocks to help control life-threatening, irregular heartbeats, especially those that could cause another episode of SCA.

BACK TO SCHOOL

By late fall, Javier was ready to return to St. Joe's. However, after a month in the hospital and another month at home, he had already missed more than half a semester of classes, which put him in danger of losing his scholarship.

"I had already missed so much of school that it would be impossible to catch up," he said, "but the College [froze] my records for the fall so I could rejoin in January and keep my scholarship."

"[The S. Joseph Damien Hanlon Scholarship] means everything to me, because without it I probably wouldn't be able to come to this school. ... Because of St. Joseph's friendly atmosphere, it allowed me to do this. I don't think another school would care that this happened."

Though no longer officially enrolled in the fall of 2009, Javier insisted on attending classes for the remainder of the semester to speed his recovery and reacclimate himself to the classroom environment.

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CHAMPION



Grown on Long Island

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"It's very expensive to farm, but the biggest issue is the weather. If we have too much rain and it wipes out a whole crop, that's thousands of dollars lost."

"The weather has really taken its toll on us this year," Phil added. "I'd rather have no rain. We can irrigate. Where is the majority of lettuce grown? California, Arizona — the desert. There's a reason for that."

"We've had very little sun. It leads to disease; it leads to all kinds of problems. And the whole northeast has been in that situation."

To mitigate rising costs, the family has been working to expand its retail business — through farmers markets and the Farm Stand on Sound — which gives them the opportunity not only to sell directly to consumers, but to educate them about the realities of family farming in the 21st century.

"We have to be lobbyists," Debbie said. "We're educators of agriculture."

Both she and Phil are involved in the Riverhead Chamber of Commerce, the Long Island Farm Bureau (LIFB; Phil is a former president) and the New York Farm Bureau, for which Debbie just completed a seven-year term as promotion and education coordinator for Long Island.

Debbie also works as a volunteer lecturer for the LIFB's Ag in the Classroom program, which brings farmers to local fourth-grade classrooms to teach students about the history of agriculture on Long Island.

"Nowadays, when I teach at the schools, these kids have no relationship with farming anymore," she said. "It's just changed — the island has changed."

"It's very difficult — this is our fourth generation of farming — to give something like that up. The family is so involved. In the long run, we really believe in it. This is our way of life." ■

Heart of a Champion

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"You can only watch so much TV," he said with a chuckle.

Javier resumed his college education in January 2010, but because the biology curriculum begins in the fall, he had to focus on core requirements and rejoin his major a semester later. The one-year delay pushed his anticipated graduation from 2013 to 2014, but he was unfazed.

The bigger blow for Javier was that his accident, and the uncertainty behind its cause, left him medically ineligible for most sports, including cross-country and soccer.

"The part that affects me the most is not being able to do the sports, because I was really, really a sports person," he explained.

"All through high school ... that's how I got involved. I did track, cross-country, soccer, I played basketball. ... Coming here, I wanted to continue doing that. Literally, I wasn't in school for a month and this happens, and they tell me I can't do anything."

Javier took that as a personal challenge. In the spring of 2010, he took up the one sport his doctor would allow him to play — a sport he had never before attempted: tennis.

"Nothing pleased me more than when he was cleared to play tennis," Mr. Carbone said. "He still gets a chance to

learn a new sport, be competitive and kind of get that out of his system."

Tennis is only one of Javier's many activities, however. Last fall, he landed the male lead of *Herbie* in the Chapel Players performance of *Gypsy*. He has also been involved in the Choral Society and Dance Club, and is currently co-parliamentarian in the Brooklyn Campus' Student Government Association.

"He wants to do everything, and he does everything well," Mr. Carbone said. "He has not looked at [his episode] as anything to limit him. In fact, if anything, that probably drives him even harder now."

"He's pushing himself and I think even achieving beyond what he thought he was going to be able to achieve."

As he looks to the future, Javier remains grateful for the support shown to him by SJC, and the athletic department in particular.

"They took the time to make sure I still kept my scholarship, which is very important," he said. "They incorporated me even though I didn't play sports; I still got invited to sports dinners."

"It's like a family — you're still a part of it even though you can't participate as much as you used to." ■



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'HALL' IN THE FAMILY

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Four pioneering Golden Eagles and one groundbreaking team entered the John Danzi Athletic Center on the evening of September 23, 2011, awaiting induction into the SJC Athletic Hall of Fame.

During the course of the night, each inductee expressed his or her own memories from the time spent at SJC. A verbal collage of victories, defeats and achievements blended together as athlete after athlete described past competition, but one idea was emphasized more powerfully than the rest: the notion of family.

"Everyone is close. When you're tight with a team, that bond doesn't just disappear. All my friends are here; I met my wife here," explained inductee Mike Symancyk '01, a Golden Eagles soccer standout and career assist record holder. Symancyk, as well as fellow inductees Charlie Caputo '90 and James McCormack '89, started a family after marrying his SJC sweetheart.

"I think my fondest athletic memories involve the people I played with," said McCormack, who holds the basketball program record for assists with 531. "The teammates, the lifelong friends that I met at St. Joe's — it's just an incredible place."

Walking through the halls of the Danzi Center, McCormack was one of

many athletes and guests reunited with the College, albeit in a building some hadn't known during their tenure at SJC.

"When I first got here, there was one building," inductee Charlie Caputo said. "There wasn't a library yet. The original gym was barely big enough to fit a basketball court."

Asked what being an early stat leader and member of a baseball program that won its first playoff appearance meant to the development of athletics at the Long Island Campus, Caputo's answer was simple: "It meant hope. It showed us there was a future."

Further paving the way for future squads were founding players such as inductee Peter Manger '92.

"Athletes at St. Joe's weren't there on athletic scholarships. We played because we love the game," said Manger, one of the first two-sport, four-year athletes at SJC, and among basketball's career scoring leaders.

"I'm amazed to see the growth of the program from where it was when I was here to today," said McCormack, a former point guard, as he stood next to the Danzi Center's basketball court, which was decorated for the Hall of Fame awards presentation. "It's incredible."

For the sole squad inducted, the 2006 softball team, the 21st century of St. Joseph's athletics was indeed the prosperous future that the pioneering athletes

had hoped for. The first team in SJC history to win a game in the NCAA championship tournament, the '06 crew boasted four All-Skyline players and earned the Skyline Conference Championship.

For Elyse Quirk '08 and Brooke Sole '09, the season celebration was ongoing, even before their NCAA win. "In the NCAAs, we were known as the team that danced," an animated Quirk explained. "We would cheer during the game, doing the Cotton-Eyed Joe, the Macarena. It was how we got ourselves hyped up."

The two alumnae and friends reiterated that mantra of so many St. Joe's athletes: "We are just a tight family," Sole said. "There was such a good chemistry on our team, so many inside jokes and friends."

Now looking toward the fifth annual induction in 2012, Athletic Director Don Lizak reflected on the tradition being made at SJC.

"It's almost overwhelming," he remarked. "You can't be too happy about a situation like this. It's just nice to see the tradition and appreciation; a lot of people are coming back and seeing what we have now and what they did to make this happen."

Elyse Quirk perhaps articulated it best, when discussing the benefits of being an SJC alumni athlete: "You get to be in the Hall of Fame!" ■

OUR SPORTING

Brooklyn Campus Earns Division III Designation

CHANCE

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Since its inception in the early 20th century, the National Collegiate Athletic Association (NCAA) has served as a litmus test of sorts for more than 1,200 athletic programs in the United States. That all-important quantifier, “What division is your school?” was introduced in 1973 after the current three-division setup was adopted, identifying a campus as Division I, II or III.

As of fall 2011, after a two-year exploratory period and a four-year provisional process, when prompted to reply, students at the Brooklyn Campus of St. Joseph’s College can finally answer, “D-Three, and proud!”



A Staff of One

Brooklyn Campus Athletic Director Frank Carbone leads the way to his office, which is separated from the underground gym’s basketball court by the length of a yardstick, a door and a steadily abused panel of Plexiglas.

Today, as in most days, the facility is filled with students shooting hoops. When the occasional errant ball smacks against Mr. Carbone’s office, he chuckles and motions to the ceiling, pointing out that the students must also refrain from releasing jump shots with too much arc — the top of the gym is only a few feet above the backboard.

Undeterred, the students play on, having too much fun to care about the limitations of the court, until relieved by the girls’ basketball team, which is scheduled for practice. The girls’ squad is just one of the flourishing teams represented on the St. Joseph’s College Brooklyn Campus (the College’s newest team, men’s soccer, kicked off its inaugural season this fall).

It’s business as usual for the student-athletes of St. Joe’s — play hard, play fair and never address Mr. Carbone as anything but simply “Frank” — the only difference this year is the presence of an official NCAA Division III plaque standing in Frank’s office.

“2004 is when [SJC President] S. Elizabeth [A. Hill, C.S.J., J.D.] and I first went to Indianapolis to try to get in to the

NCAA,” Mr. Carbone recalls. “As you can imagine, there was a lot of skepticism about it. And people who know me well ... when I think something is good, I’m going to make it happen.”

In the past seven years as athletic director, Mr. Carbone has done much more than make good things happen. Starting his employment at SJC as a women’s basketball coach in 1997, he steadily progressed before being promoted to his current position in 2004.

Under his guidance, the Brooklyn Campus has grown from an institution with just three varsity sports and 30 student-athletes to a school featuring 13 varsity sports and 200 student-athletes — a figure that accounts for nearly 25 percent of the full-time, undergraduate student body. The athletic department also houses five club teams: dance, step, men’s wrestling, women’s soccer and men’s golf, along with a vibrant intramural program.

Any collegiate institution seeking admission into the NCAA, take heed. You may need to appoint a Frank Carbone to the staff to make the necessary leap.

“There were a lot of obstacles,” Mr. Carbone laughs. “In 2004, when we first started this process, there was a moratorium on new members. But unwittingly, that helped. We persevered through it; we expanded our programs and our staff. It was just me when we started: a staff of one. It took a couple of years before we all came on board.”

Division III athletics encourage maximizing the number and variety of athletics opportunities available to students. To become a Division III program, the applicant college or university must sponsor at least five sports for men and five for women, each playing a full season.

“Now, that was the issue,” Carbone says, when discussing the required amount of games played by each squad. “Some of our sports required, for example baseball, 30-40 games to a season, and that is a lot of resources — equipment, scheduling, officials, renting fields.”

But the Brooklyn Campus made it happen.

Showing the circular statuette etched with the NCAA Division III designation on his desk, Mr. Carbone praises those hardworking co-workers who brought the school to this point (Anthony Macapugay; Oscar Melendez; Hope

Mitchell; Jennifer Pasquin; Irislyn Abreu; Joe Hoffman; S. Betty Calfapietra, Ed.D., R.S.M.) as well as the students, the staff and the entire St. Joseph's College community.

Mr. Carbone admires this statuette — a corporeal culmination of years of growth, diligence and hard work — before placing it back on his desk, facing outward. "It's nice to know other people are recognizing what we're doing," he says.

A Continued Focus on Academics

This isn't to say that athletics will now become the priority at St. Joseph's College. In fact, it's quite the opposite. Division III colleges do not offer athletic scholarships, and student-athletes are fully integrated with the general student body.

Academics are the primary focus, and participation in sports is a valuable yet secondary component of SJC students' time. This means that D-III athletes work just as hard to achieve a degree, regardless of their achievements on the court, field, wrestling mat, etc.

The newly branded Division III Brooklyn Campus will continue to emphasize the necessity of a solid education and will even help introduce an increased number of opportunities for students, which is exactly what Long Island Athletic Director Don Lizak has found.

"When we go out to recruit, athletes want to know 'Where are you; what are you?' Well, we're a Division III institution," Mr. Lizak said. The Long Island Campus has been a full-time member of the NCAA since 1997, competing as part of the Skyline Conference.

"It provides everything that we need, as an institution, to run a good program. And I think it will do similar things for the Brooklyn Campus. The fact that Brooklyn is now a part of Division III opens up all kinds of doors for the school."

This echoes exactly what Frank Carbone wants to hear.

"I don't want our kids to be just athletes," Mr. Carbone says. "Part of our philosophy is to be all-inclusive. We want everyone to be involved. It's going to be what you've done here that's going to differentiate you down the line. You need that extra something that's going to separate you from the crowd. We're looking for smart kids; these high achievers are the ones who can play multiple sports and still maintain a 3.5, 4.0 GPA. We want well-rounded student-athletes."

The Future of Brooklyn Athletics

Now already into 2012, the Brooklyn Campus looks forward to the long-awaited opening to its new, 26,000-square-foot facility, which will provide capable quarters

for the men and women of SJC athletics (the ceiling no longer being the limit, as it were).

Since the 1950s, St. Joseph's teams and coaches have inhabited the current athletic site underneath Tuohy Hall, a facility that former Brooklyn Athletic Director Margaret Ward (1951-1984) once deemed "inadequate, especially for a college."

But again, it's business as usual. Brooklyn's D-III athletes have no qualms competing without the perks of an aboveground athletic center to call home; they will continue to excel until the opening of the new gym, and will even continue to match up against familiar competition.

"We've had this D-III goal for so long, but we haven't lost sight of what got us here, and what makes us work," Mr. Carbone says. "Even with the D-III designation, our philosophy is going to remain consistent. We're independent. Partially by choice, but I want to see what the landscape holds as far as joining a conference."

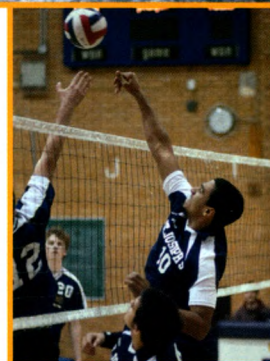
Brooklyn will continue its affiliation as a member of the Association of Division III Independents (AD3I). It will also retain membership in the United States Collegiate Athletic Association (USCAA), which offers additional national postseason championship opportunities. Both associations provide numerous opportunities for athletic and academic recognition on a national level, in which St. Joseph's has been extremely successful, garnering more than 70 selections in the past three years.

The future is certainly bright for the Bears. With the amount of student-athletes on the Brooklyn Campus steadily rising year-to-year, and new athletic programs sprouting by the season, the concept of growth is nothing recent.

"By completing this D-III process I think we've also served a dual purpose in boosting the enrollment in general," Mr. Carbone said. "There's an excitement. It creates more of a buzz. And for us, not having a big campus, it's as though we have a hidden gem here."

"The NCAA is the gold standard in college athletics, and I am very proud that the excellence of our program has been recognized," S. Elizabeth said. "Congratulations to Frank Carbone and his staff." ■

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Class Notes

Brooklyn

1930s

Joanna Venezia Zinno '39 lives in an apartment in a senior complex and made many new friends. She has two sons, seven grandchildren and eight great-grandchildren. They all live within 20 minutes, and she sees them all often.

1940s

Marie Birmingham Ponsot '40 is serving another five years as a chancellor of the Academy of American Poets.

Babette Harper '45 has moved from Vermont to California and now lives in Rancho Mirage.

Margaret Boyle Hilley '45 is moving from Peekskill to Rexford, N.Y.

Margaret Jokiel Joyce '45 has found a home in Texas, and works at her local parish.

Antoinette Mascioni '45 moved from Amityville, N.Y., to Summit, N.J.

Veronica Burke McDonnell '45 is living in the city of Rancho Palos Verdes in California.

Winifred Comer Turner '45 moved from Naples, Fla., to Raleigh, N.C.

Ruth Chillingworth Bierman '47 has seven children and 20 grandchildren. She keeps in touch with Patricia Leshner Hedges '47.

Mary Sparrow Albert '47 has been to many reunions and hopes to attend the 2012 Spring Reunion with Marie Mallon McCormack '47.

Virginia Swift '47 enjoys her tai chi class in Bay Ridge, Brooklyn. She hopes to attend her 65th reunion in the spring of 2012, along with fellow Class of 1947 graduates Gloria Ortolani Amorosi, Norma Cirino, Anne Dannemiller Louthan, Anne McKenna McCormack, Jeanne Mullen and Mary Flanagan Rigaut.

1950s

Marguerite Fenton '51 visited Julia Cumming Murphy '51 at her summer home in Vermont. Julia is retired, and has a memoir and poem collection online. She enjoys the Atlanta Symphony and says that the Rev. Gennaro D'Ecclesiis was responsible for her comfort in classical music.

Joan Martin Burke '51 welcomed classmates Joan Williams Kane and Claire MacVenn Dillon to her home for dinner.

Joan Williams Kane '51 enjoys her career as a freelance writer.

Claire MacVen Dillon '51 and some members of her family had a wonderful reunion with Catherine Meehan Mais '51 and Catherine's husband, Larry, in Chicago. Catherine is a substitute teacher and president of the Legion of Mary at her parish.

Suzanne Gannon Murphy '51 and her husband, Dan, enjoy a cruise with their children and grandchildren every summer.

Marion O. Celenza '53 published a book, *All Are Welcome to This Table*, a treasury of home-cooking recipes from her and her mother's own collections.

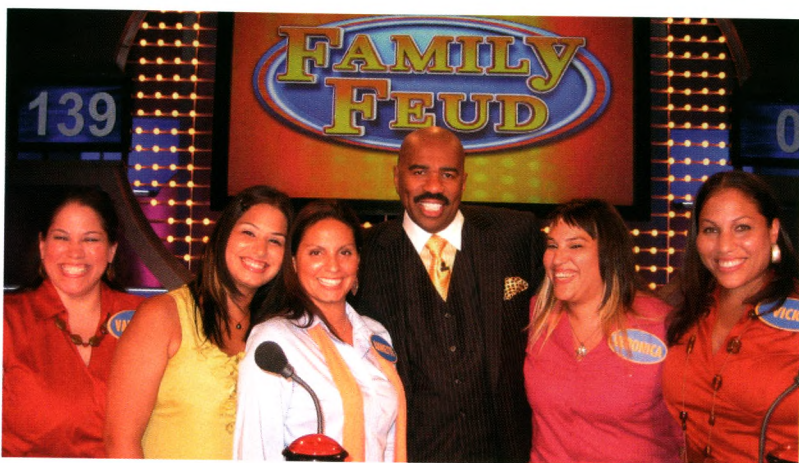
1960s

Marletta Stevenson '61 is enjoying retirement at home in Deer Park, N.Y.

Claire Lavin O'Regan '62 visited Ireland in September, where she delivered a paper at an educational conference. Over the summer, she hosted a get-together at her home in Breezy Point, N.Y., with several Class of 1962 members, including Rosemary McDonald Ahern, Mary Collins Macchiarola, Virginia O'Rourke McLaughlin, Patricia Jesinkey Palmer and Patricia Sweeney.

Virginia O'Rourke McLaughlin '62 celebrated a milestone birthday this past October with about 40 close friends. Among them were Mary Collins Macchiarola '62, Patricia Jesinkey Palmer '62 and Maureen Treanor Donohue '63.

Survey Says ...



Sara Danby

Brooklyn alumna Vanessa Barrios '00 (far left) and her sister Vicky Barrios '00 (far right) — along with cousins Rose Ramirez and Annette Reagans, and sister Veronica Barrios — enjoy a moment with host Steve Harvey on the set of the long-running game show, "Family Feud." The Barrios family taped two shows last July that aired in October and reran in December on my9 (WWOR-TV). Vanessa is the assistant director of financial aid for the Brooklyn Campus.

Rosemary McDonald Ahern '62 and her husband, Tom, visited Rome and Assisi this fall with their son, the Rev. Thomas Ahern '85.

DeEtta Shields Breitwieser '63 has been retired for five years from the Newtown Public School District in Connecticut. She has been able to travel, and her most recent trip was to France with her husband, George. They had a family get-together with their daughter, Helen, who is a literary agent; their grandson, Liam; and daughter, Julia, who is a designer for Victoria's Secret.

Dolores Dunn Dorkowski '63 and Cathleen Gressert Moran '63 had a great time on a cruise last June.

Helen Craig Hoefner '63 got together with classmates Deirdre Carlin Ruiz, Mary Hannon Egan and Patricia Corrigan Koppinger for dinner on Long Island. They had a fabulous time.

Barbara Grace Ritter Jones '63 and Anne Marie Larkin Wilkins '63 are

both living at The Villages in Florida. Barbara returns frequently to Maryland to visit her grandkids, and Anne spends half her time in Florida and the other in New Jersey, where two of her children and grandchildren live.

Rosemarie McGrath '63 has been an Ignation Volunteer Corps member for the past three years. She spends two days a week at Cristo Rey New York High School on East 106th Street.

Frances Minichiello '63 has hosted a political refugee from Darfur who is now a human rights advocate.

Cathleen Gressert Moran '63 still teaches at the Briarwood School in Houston, a school for students with learning differences. She enjoys spending weekends and vacations with her four children and 11 grandchildren.

Rita Rochford '63 recently returned from a mission trip to Cuba sponsored by the First Presbyterian

Church in Manhattan. She has also worked in Mexico, Nicaragua, New Mexico and Mississippi. Rita serves as the board co-chair of the Adaptive Design Association, an organization that builds equipment for children with disabilities.

Dodici Azpadu '64 has a new book available called *Saturday Night*. Her first novel was *Living Room*, and she has also published books of her poems and short stories. She still teaches at Central New Mexico Community College and conducts writing workshops at The Osher Lifelong Learning Institute at the University of New Mexico.

Angela Morales Dembowski '64 is now the proud grandmother of three grandchildren with a combined Puerto Rican, Polish and Chinese heritage.

Kerri Morrissey Plowman '64 lives near Philadelphia and has four adult children. She promises to make a special effort to attend her 50th reunion in 2014 despite her physical disability.

Rita Reilly Siebenaler '64 enjoys retirement and her new urban condo. She volunteers as a clinical counselor at the Arlington Free Clinic. She is a member of the Medical Reserve Corps and enjoys taking art classes. Rita and her husband, Donald, travelled on *A Prairie*

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Alumni Fall Luncheon

Held on October

Photos by Steve Birkeland



SJC President S. Elizabeth A. Hill, C.S.J., J.D., '64 (right) with former Brooklyn Academic Dean S. Margaret Buckley, C.S.J., Ed.D., '55 (center) and her sister, Anne Buckley McAssey '57 (left)



S. Mary Florence Burns, C.S.J., '46 (standing) with members of the Class of '55



ber 22, 2011



S. Elizabeth with members of the Brooklyn Alumni Executive Board

S. Margaret and S. Elizabeth (seated) with (L-R) Vice President for Institutional Advancement Nancy Connors; Brooklyn Academic Dean Richard A. Greenwald, Ph.D.; Provost S. Loretta McGrann, C.S.J.; Dean of Students and Student Life Susan Hudec, Ph.D.; and Associate Vice President for Alumni Relations and Stewardship Mary Jo Burke Chiara '69



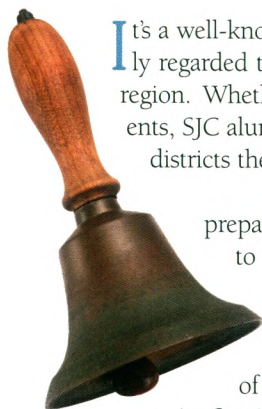
S. Margaret with some of her former students

Members of the Class of '69: (standing, L-R) S. Nora Ashe, Mary Jo Burke Chiara, Margaret Mohan Meegan, Marianne Traviglia Ferrara, Marie Vassar Recchione, (seated, L-R) Nancy Mullholland Brogan, Antonia Bartoloma Mohan and Mary Butz, with Mary Buckley Teatum '70

Before the Bell Rings

Alumni Teacher Forums Shed Light on Opportunities in a Tough Job Market

by Mark Wilson '08 • mwilson@sjcny.edu



It's a well-known fact that St. Joseph's graduates are highly regarded throughout school districts in the New York region. Whether as teachers, principals or superintendents, SJC alumni have impacted thousands of lives in the districts they serve.

However, despite its renowned teacher preparation programs, the College is not immune to the current state of the economy and the tumultuous job market. That is why, on October 4, St. Joseph's Office of Alumni Relations, in conjunction with the Office of Career Development, Wellness and Disability Services, and the Office of Public Affairs, held an alumni forum on the Brooklyn Campus titled, "Before the Bell Rings: How to Get Yourself Into the Classroom."

During this event, alumni, ranging from newly hired teachers to experienced administrators, offered advice and shared their stories with current SJC students and recent graduates. Panelists included alumnae Elena Governale O'Sullivan '81, principal of I.S. 240; Joan Anderson McMaster '82, principal of Our Lady of Grace School; Mary Buckley Teatum '70, an adjunct faculty member at SJC; Temi-tope Fasoye '94, director of TLC Early Childhood Center; and Marianne Traviglia Ferrara '69, St. Joseph's associate director of alumni relations and a retired public school superintendent.

In addition to these seasoned educators, the panel also included younger alumni, who shared their experiences about dealing with the current job market. Natalie Fascianella Burke '07, a science teacher at St. Bernadette School, explained how she found her niche when she started teaching in a Catholic school. Alumna Andrea Rosado '08, who teaches special education at P.S. 7, discussed the importance of broadening horizons. Also included on the panel were Lillian

Shmulevich, associate director of St. Joseph's Office of Career Development, Wellness and Disability Services; and Lauren Kraus, a teacher recruitment manager for the New York City Department of Education.

The Long Island Campus followed suit as the Office of Alumni Relations; the Office of Career Development, Wellness and Disability Services; the Department of Child Study; and the Department of Secondary Education hosted "Alternatives to the Classroom" at the McGann Conference Center on October 26. While similar to the Brooklyn event, this forum expanded its scope to include the world of career possibilities that lies beyond the traditional school setting.

Moderated by S. Mary Ann Cashin, C.S.J., and S. Eileen Kelly, C.S.J., of the Department of Child Study, the panel included alumnae Katie Hennes '10, a Spanish teacher in the Greenport School District; Lisa Gatti '90, founder of Pal-O-Mine Equestrian, a therapeutic riding program for individuals with disabilities; Janine Mahoney '92, a special education teacher at Shelter Island School; Andrea Agostino '00, a sales manager for the Walt Disney Company; and Bridget McCormack '09, an AmeriCorps volunteer.

Keynote speaker Keith Fasciana '01, principal of William Floyd Elementary School, urged the aspiring teachers in attendance to commit to substitute teaching several days a week as a means not only of getting a foot in the door, but also of keeping themselves informed of the latest trends in education, which is especially important while not working in the field.

Many of the alumni at both events, regardless of the years in which they graduated, faced a dire job market. But thanks to determination, an open mind and a degree from St. Joseph's, they persevered. Elena Governale O'Sullivan offered some inspiring words for the students in attendance.

"Hold on to your inner fire," she said. "You'll make it!" ■

Stay Connected!

To learn more about alumni activities, serve at an alumni event, reach your class news agent or update your records, contact us in the Office of Alumni Relations.

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Home Companion music cruise last summer and a Rhine River Cruise in the fall. Rita enjoys attending plays with Donald, St. Joe's classmate **Marie Kessel Lally '64**, and Marie's husband, Tim.

Christina McCullagh Cronin '65 is proud to announce that her son, 1st Lt. Kevin Cronin of the U.S. Army's 3rd Infantry Division, received the Bronze Star for effectively providing guidance to his unit and ensuring mission success in support of Operation Iraqi Freedom.

Eileen Spudic Beaumont '69 has two children: Nicole and Rick. Eileen teaches at the Poricy Park Conservancy in Middletown, N.J., during her spare time. She welcomed her first granddaughter, Madelyn Lane, in May. Her son graduated from Reed College in 2008 and works at the Oregon Science and Health University.

Mary Jo Burke Chiara '69 and **S. Elizabeth A. Hill, C.S.J., J.D. '64** enjoyed visiting and catching up with **Irene Reddy Schneller '69** and **Kathryn Dallas Stratton '69** during a trip to San Francisco last summer.

1970s

Ellen Nofi Murphy '72 is teaching remedial math in grades three through five in the Island Trees School District in Levittown, N.Y. She is involved in the teachers union as a building representative and grievance chairperson. Her daughter, Shannon, just celebrated her 16th birthday with a trip to Paris and London.

After many years of decorating and interior design, **Meg Ambrose Preller '72** is taking her skills to the professional level. Her own home was included in a house tour of Rockville Centre, N.Y., in October.

Deborah Hayes Larsen '72 is still teaching third grade in Sudbury, Mass. Her son, James, was married on Labor Day weekend on Martha's Vineyard

where Deborah and husband, Glenn, have a summer home.

Sigrid Brandt Frawley '73 retired in June after 26 years of teaching kindergarten in the Tenafly Public Schools in New Jersey. She continues to prepare the next generation of teachers on the adjunct faculties of Montclair State University and Iona College.

Joanna Perrotta Garafalo '73 lives on a 170-acre horse farm in Virginia, with 22 Arabian horses. She is a paralegal and holds a Master of Education degree.

Celeste Rebecchi Kaden '73 is still teaching second grade at St. Joseph's School in Garden City, N.Y. Her son, Matthew, just graduated from Wake Forest and now works for Morgan Stanley. Her daughter, Kristine, works as a district mentor in the Elmont (N.Y.) School District.

Mary Beth Stevenson Molloy '73 just returned from her first visit to Ireland for the wedding of a cousin in Donegal, she had a great time. Mary Beth's daughter, Patricia, teaches at Flushing High School in Queens, and her son, Chris, works for FedEx.

Joan Hanrahan Monaghan '73 is a new grandmother to twins.

Jeaneatte Nardone Zaloom '73 teaches English-language learning at the Community College of Southern Nevada at Las Vegas.

Denise Plichta Murray '73 is an assistant principal in a school in Las Vegas.

Class of 1973 members **Patricia Phelan Reznick**, **Donna Pagano Morena**, **Jeaneatte Nardone Zaloom**, **Denise Plichta Murray** and **Celeste Rebecchi Kaden** all keep in touch.

Bridget Gorman Murphy '74 has been teaching eighth grade for 32 years at St. Rose of Lima School in Rockaway Beach, Queens, and has recently been promoted to assistant principal.

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Celebrate St. Paddy's Day with SJC

Join us for
a traditional Irish breakfast
before marching in the
**New York City
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**Saturday
March 17, 2012
10 a.m.**

Breakfast at
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March behind the
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with students, staff and faculty

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To sign up to march and/or
attend the breakfast,
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Alumni Happenings



Robert Ansler

Senior Kelsey Lohsen '12 was awarded the Thomas J. Wendt Alumni Scholarship at the Long Island Campus Honors Convocation on October 6. She is pictured with (L-R) SJC President S. Elizabeth A. Hill, C.S.J., J.D.; Director of Alumni Relations and Stewardship Matthew Colson '02; and Director of Student Activities/Cocurricular Programs Marian Russo.



Associate Vice President for Alumni Relations and Stewardship Mary Jo Burke Chiara '69 (right) and Director of Alumni Relations and Stewardship Matthew Colson '02 (left) visit with alumnae Rosemary Perinelli Kelley '65 and Barbara Wall Bank '67 during an alumni reception in San Diego in June 2011.



Robert Ansler

Brooklyn Winery in Williamsburg welcomed St. Joseph's alumni for a special wine-tasting event on October 13.



Robert Ansler

Michael Meyers '08 receives the St. Catherine Medal from Director of Alumni Relations and Stewardship Matthew Colson '02 at the Long Island Campus Honors Convocation on October 6.

Neal Smith



More than 100 alumni gathered at the L.I. Campus to bid farewell to Gary Smith, who coached his final regular-season home game on October 22. Coach Smith recently retired after 26 years as head coach of the Golden Eagles men's soccer program.



Brooklyn grads enjoy A Taste of NYC in the Fall, an alumni cooking course held on November 5. Pictured are (standing, L-R) Sally Solis; Anthony Fonte '06; Katherine Solis '06; David Richter; Octayvya Boucaud; Merlynne St. Bernard Lindo '83, M.B.A. '07; Santia Thermoziier '11; Dilruba Ahmed '11; (kneeling, L-R) Sultana Soter; and Susan Zhou M.B.A. '08.



On October 14, the Alumni Association L.I. Chapter hosted a Halloween bash at The Irish Times Pub in Holbrook.

SAVE THE DATES



Fifth Annual Walkathon/5K Run

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**Sunday
April 29, 2012
8:30 a.m.
Long Island Campus**

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Monday, June 4, 2012

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A Family Affair



The Lewinger-Bennett wedding on April 30, 2011, doubled as a mini-reunion of St. Joseph's alumni who attended the College over a span of 50 years. Pictured (L-R) are the groom's aunt, Carol Quaid Milaccio '61; the bride's friend, Laura Lamela Bonomolo '01; the happy bride and groom, Denise Marie Lewinger Bennett '02, M.B.A. '08, and John Bennett; proud mothers Anita Milaccio Bennett '62 and Rosemarie Cangro Lewinger '11; the bride's brother, Joseph Lewinger '00; and her sister-in-law, Maura Kelly Lewinger '99. The wedding took place at the Guilford Yacht Club in Guilford, Conn.

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Erin Collins, daughter of **Joan Carrig Collins '77**, began her freshman year at St. Joseph's College in the fall.

John Stevenson '79 is an attorney in Manhattan and has five children ranging in age from 14 to 30.

1980s

Kirsten DiSanza, oldest daughter of **Jean Stevenson DiSanza '80**, is completing her student teaching at Kutztown University in Pennsylvania.

Therese Stevenson Scott '80 and her daughter, Katie, are both nurses. Therese has a two-year-old granddaughter, Madison.

Peter M. Meyer '87 is president of TD Bank's New York City market. He is responsible for small business and commercial operations and oversees the bank's community and philanthropic activities. Peter currently serves as chairman of the Brooklyn Chamber of Commerce and sits on the boards of various nonprofit and civic organizations.

Aney George Paul '87 was elected to the Rockland County Legislature, District 14, on November 8. She is the first Indian-American woman to serve on the Legislature.

1990s

S. Maureen King '99 entered into the Sisters of Mercy this past May.

Danielle Rondello Kreitsch '99 and **Jason Kreitsch '99** welcomed their third son, Harrison John, last April. Their eldest son, Brandon, is 7, and Alexander is 4.

2000s

Kristin Wilde '06 married Joseph Basile last October. Kristin is a speech-language pathologist with United Cerebral Palsy of New York City Children's Program of Staten Island in Port Richmond, and with Quality Care Speech Center of Staten Island in Great Kills. Joseph is a self-employed commodity trader.

Mark Wilson '08 and **Amanda Young '08** were recently engaged. Amanda is a preschool teacher at Midwood Catholic Academy in Brooklyn, and Mark works in St. Joseph's Office of Institutional Advancement. The couple plans to be married in August 2012.

2010s

Jaclyn Collins '10 will receive her M.A. in Speech-Language Pathology in May from St. John's University. After graduation, she will be traveling to Guatemala to work with children with cleft palates.

Kajal Dalal '10 is currently in the midst of starting her own company, American Pet Discounts, providing prospective or current pet owners with pertinent information, statistics and products that they need in order to best care for their pets. She is also a staff tutor at St. Joseph's.

Mary Ellen Ferrara '10 will receive a master's degree in social work from Fordham University in May. After completing her licensure exam, Mary Ellen will also have the title of licensed master social worker.

Concetta Simon '10 is currently pursuing a M.A. in math education from Brooklyn College while teaching sixth- and eighth-grade mathematics at Public School 87 in Queens.

Christian Lee Branch '11 was recently promoted to regional manager of D'Amico Coffee Inc., and serves on the board of the Mount Carmel Theatre Company as director of development.

Long Island

1970s

Anthony DiFiore '78 has been married to his wife, Roseanne, for 54 years. They have lived in Emerald Isle, N.C., for 17 years and enjoy water sports, fishing, clamming, scalloping, shrimping, crabbing and swimming. They have three children, Steven, Anthony and **Grace Anne Russomanno '81**. They have 13 grandchildren and two great-grandchildren. He served in the military for 27 years. Anthony and Roseanne do a lot of driving visiting their family. They celebrated Christmas in Emerald Isle with their family.

1980s

Trustee **Christopher R. Carroll, Esq. '88** was honored at the 12th Freedom House Distinguished Citizens Awards Banquet in October. The award recognizes outstanding support and leadership in the fight against alcohol and drug abuse.

1990s

Madeline Klotz '96 has been named an associate of the litigation and dispute-resolution, and personal injury practices for the law offices of Meyer, Suozzi, English & Klein P.C., focusing on general commercial and personal injury litigation.

2000s

Alyssa Weippert '00 recently married Joseph Gustwiller. Alyssa works as a health and wellness director at the YMCA. The couple lives in Ohio.



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March 21, 2012

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Butera's, Sayville

March 27, 2012

Brooklyn
Graziella's Restaurant

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Matthew Colson '02, St. Joseph's director of alumni relations and stewardship, spoke on a panel for effective online communication at the Fair Media Council Connection Day, and also sat on a judging panel for the Council for Advancement and Support of Education 2012 accolades program.

Eric Frank '02 and **Sarah-Jean Yoos Frank '04** welcomed their daughter, Avery Shea. The couple also has a son, Zachary.

Richard Piazza '03 and his wife, MaryAnn, announced the birth of their daughter, Sofia Grace.

Joy Privitera '03 was elected Long Island regional director of the New York State Organization of Bursars and Business Administrators bursar for St. Joseph's College. Joy joined the College 25 years ago.

Patrick Corcoran '08 became a teaching assistant at the Catholic University of America.

Michael Meyers '08 became associate attorney with The Law Offices of Clifford J. Petroske P.C.

In Memoriam

Alumni

Frances McGovern Delany '34
Dorothy Shea '40
Elizabeth Whalen Bonsall '41
Lucille Tannuzzo '44
Dorothea Drosch Szabo '46
Mary Lassoff '48
Anne Hyland Cimento '50
Therese Malone '51
Mary Ann Butler '60
Adele Vocel '65
Elaine Beckwith '69
Dympna Smyth Joyce '69
Phyllis Fuca Antonello '72
Maria Elizabeth Shehi '80

Friends and Family

Joseph Ernst, father of Brianne
Ernst Krakaur '01
Tito Frezza, husband of
Dorothea Lynch Frezza '69

Mary Frost, mother of staff member
Johanna Frost-Johnsen '92 and
grandmother of David Johnsen '99
Frank Horan, husband of Melodie
Horan, former executive administrative assistant to the president
Dorothy Kelly, mother of
Dorothy Kelly Carroll '69
Henry Postel, husband of
Estelle McGrath Postel '49
David Stevenson, brother of
Marletta Stevenson '61,
Mary Beth Stevenson Molloy '73,
Debra Stevenson Nelson '75, John
Stevenson '79, Jean Stevenson
DiSanza '80 and Therese
Stevenson Scott '80
Patrick Tufano, husband of
Olivine Schreiner Tufano '51

Careers in Civil Service

Panel Discussion

Learn about the wonderful opportunities that a career in civil service can provide. Hear about the ins and outs of civil service employment. The discussion will include information on the county, town, village and state levels.

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6 p.m.**

McGann Conference Center
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FEBRUARY

- 4 Alumni Hoops Night**
2 p.m., alumni hoops game, 4 p.m., tailgating party
SJC vs. Albany College of Pharmacy
5 p.m., women's game; 7:30 p.m., men's game
Brooklyn Technical High School

- 16 Fiscally Fit Series Workshop No. 3**
"Real Estate Today" — Joseph Jannace
6 p.m. at the Brooklyn Campus

- 27- Florida Alumni Receptions**
March 3

MARCH

- 8 Careers in Civil Service Panel Discussion**
6 p.m. in the McGann Conference Center, L.I. Campus

- 13 Dr. Reza and Georgianna Clifford Khatib
Chair in Comparative Religion
Fourth Annual Lecture**
"Catholic-Jewish Relations: 46 Years From Vatican II
When Everything Changed — Or Did It?"
7:30 p.m. in the D'Ecclesiis Auditorium, L.I. Campus

- 15 Fiscally Fit Series Workshop No. 4**
"Home and Asset Protection" — Bruce Hofner
6 p.m. at the Brooklyn Campus

- 17 St. Patrick's Day Celebration, Manhattan**
10 a.m., breakfast at Connolly's Restaurant
12:40 p.m., NYC St. Patrick's Day Parade

- 21 Graduate Management Studies
Networking Dinner**
6:30 p.m. at Butera's, Sayville

- 23 Chapel Players Alumni Night**
Performance and reception, 7 p.m. at Brooklyn Campus

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12:30 p.m. at Tuohy Hall, Brooklyn Campus

- 27 Graduate Management Studies
Networking Dinner**

6 p.m. at Graziella's Italian Restaurant, Brooklyn

APRIL

- 14 Relay for Life of St. Joseph's College**
6 p.m. until 6 a.m. at the L.I. Campus

- 19 St. Joseph's College Career Fair**
For students and alumni
Noon-2 p.m. at the John A. Danzi Athletic Center,
L.I. Campus

- 19 Dance Club Alumni Night**
Performance and reception, 7 p.m. at the Brooklyn Campus

- 20 Reunion Eve Rooftop Celebration**
6-9 p.m. at Hudson Terrace, Manhattan

- 21 Spring Reunion Mass and Luncheon**
10:30 a.m. at The University Club, Manhattan

- 29 Alumni Association Fifth Annual
Walkathon/5K Run**
Co-sponsored by The Rose Brucia Educational Foundation
8:30 a.m. at the L.I. Campus

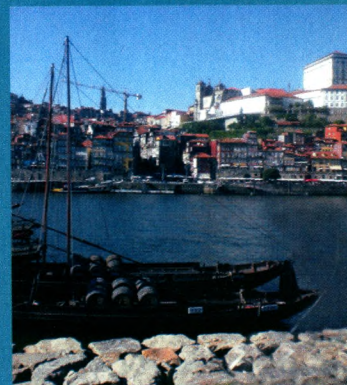
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